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Pope asked to probe aid to Nazis charge

By WILLIAM SAPHIRE

NEW YORK [JTA] — A prominent American Jewish leader called on the Vatican last week to undertake "an appropriate and independent investigation" of reports that members of the Catholic hierarchy played a role in the escape of wanted Nazi war criminals from Europe after World War II.

Julius Berman, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, who made the request, noted that President Reagan had ordered a probe of reports that Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie was aided in his escape by American personnel in Europe and observed, "the Vatican can do no less."

A similar request for a Vatican investigation of charges that the Catholic clergy hid Nazi war criminals was made by the Synagogue Council of America, representing the congregational bodies of Conservative, Orthodox and Reform Judaism. It was addressed to Bishop James Malone, president of the United States Bishops's Conference, who was asked to convey it to Rome.

At the same time,

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Julius Berman

Not missed by most Israelis

Begin may make comeback

JERUSALEM [UPI] — A close friend of Menachem Begin said last week the former Prime Minister who resigned last October may resume active political life in a few weeks, but a new poll shows most Israelis don't miss him.

Begin, 70, who has rarely been seen in public since his resignation because of ill health, is still chairman of the executive of the Herut Party, which heads Israel's ruling Likud bloc.

Begin recently asked that the party convene to name a new chairman for the Herut secretariat to replace Yoram Aridor, who resigned from the post and as finance minister last October when his economic proposals to substitute the U.S. dollar for the Israeli shekel were rejected.

Menachem Begin

Word that Begin, who was succeeded as Prime Minister by Yitzhak Shamir, had made the request triggered speculation he was signaling an intention to resume political activity.

"Certainly, I want to join those who express hope that (the) Herut chairman would again be active, at least within the movement," Micha Reiser, a Herut leader and member of parliament, told Armed Forces Radio. "There's no doubt that we need him and will be very happy about it."

Yechial Khadishai, a close friend and confidant who served as Begin's appointments secretary, said "as of now" the former Prime Minister had no intention of becoming politically active, nor of participating in the party executive meeting.

But Khadishai said, "If the executive meets in a few weeks, then maybe he will attend."

Pressed whether that meant Begin would resume active participation in the party he helped found in 1948, Khadishai said, "in a few weeks . . . maybe. I hope so."

A poll published last week in the Ha'aretz newspaper, however, showed most Israelis do not yearn for Begin's return to active political life. However, they feel his administration was better than Shamir's, which has been hit with major economic problems.

The poll, which queried 1,200 Israeli adults, showed that 53.7% do not miss Begin's rule and 58.3% do not want Begin to govern.

Begin suffered eight election rejections before his Likud coalition came to power in 1977 on a platform to restore Israel to its biblical borders and end Labor Party corruption.

Chile ruling on Rauff a setback for Israel

JERUSALEM [JTA] — Israel last week expressed "profound regret" over Chile's refusal of its request to expel Nazi war criminal Walter Rauff.

A justice ministry spokesman said Israel would continue its efforts to secure Rauff's expulsion or extradition in order to bring to justice a man responsible for the murder of at least 250,000 Jews during World War II. (CJN Feb. 2).

David Kimche, director-general of the foreign ministry, made an unannounced trip to Santiago to press Israel's formal request that Chile oust Rauff.

He met with the Chilean foreign minister, Jaimie Del Valle, apparently to no avail.

Del Valle announced that it would be inappropriate to expel the 77-year-old former SS colonel inasmuch as Chile's supreme court had rejected a West German request for his extradition in 1963.

Justice ministry spokesman Denis Goldman said that "the ministry finds it very hard to comprehend how the Chilean government can continue to allow such a heinous war criminal to remain there without having to be brought to justice."

Rauff designed the mobile gas chamber in which an estimated quarter million Jews were put to death.

A Hanover (Germany) court charged him in 1961 with murdering 97,000 of them by crowding the Jews into trucks and inserting a tube carrying exhaust fumes.

According to French Nazi-hunter Serge Klarsfeld, Rauff, "one of the most wanted Nazi criminals," had been given refuge in Vatican City convents for 18 months after the war.

Rauff has been living in Chile since the 1950s, though holding a German passport. The Bonn government's extradition request was turned down in 1963 on grounds that Chile's statute of limitations on war crimes was in effect.

According to Del Valle, it would be inappropriate to expel someone "who has lived 20 years in peace here since the supreme court ruling."

Goldman accused the Chilean authorities of hiding behind a 20 year-old court decision and said Israel would not accept this as the "last word" but would continue to do everything in its power to seek Rauff's extradition. "The policy of the government is to pursue Walter Rauff where ever he is," Goldman said.

Beate Klarsfeld, wife of Serge Klarsfeld, was arrested briefly in front of Chile's presidential palace while demonstrating to demand Rauff's expulsion.

Chile's military government has previously rejected requests for Rauff's extradition from Israel on an informal basis, and from Nazi-hunter Simon Wiesenthal.

But the Israeli government and the Klarsfelds are now pressing for Rauff's expulsion along the same lines as a decision by the Bolivian government last year, which deported former Gestapo officer Klaus Barbie, who is now awaiting trial in France.

UN religious groups protest

Racist remarks under fire

UNITED NATIONS [JTA] — In an unprecedented action, a joint statement by representatives of non-governmental organizations from the major religious bodies at the United Nations, have expressed concern that attacks against Israel in the General Assembly have "degenerated into blatant anti-semitism," the World Jewish Congress reported last week.

The statement was approved by the caucus known as "Religious NGOs" and was incorporated into the annual assessment of the work of the General Assembly issued by the group.

According to the WJC representative Elan Steinberg, the statement, though of a general nature, was intended to be an explicit repudiation of the anti-semitic remarks of the Libyan representative to the General Assembly on Dec. 8.

On that occasion, the Libyan ambassador, Ali Treiki, said: "It is high time for the United Nations and the United States in particular to realize that the Jewish Zionists here in the United States attempt to destroy Americans. Look around New York. Who are the owners of pornographic film operations and houses? Is it not the Jews who are exploiting the American people and trying to debase them?"

In response to the Libyan's outburst, Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar the following day issued a statement calling on delegates to refrain from such "unbecoming language."

According to the WJC's UN office, a meeting of all the representatives of Jewish NGOs was held three weeks ago and a decision was made to seek condemnation of the Libyan's diatribe from appropriate quarters. The initiative to approach the religious NGOs on the issue came from that meeting.

The statement of concern was incorporated in the report entitled "Assessment of the 38th United Nations General Assembly by Religious Non-Governmental Organizations." The annual report is divided into disarmament questions, economic questions, and social and humanitarian questions. The statement on anti-semitism is contained within the social and humanitarian section.

Homeless Jews plight major problem in NY

NEW YORK [JTA] — A rabbi who is involved in dealing with the Jewish poor and homeless in the New York metropolitan area, said last week that the problem of homeless Jews has in recent years become a major challenge to the Jewish community.

He said that estimates of homelessness in Greater New York range from 6,000 to 36,000. He estimated that the number of homeless Jews is "between 1,000 to 1,200," Rabbi David Cohen, executive director of the Metropolitan New York Coordinating Council on Jewish Poverty, said.

Cohen addressed a symposium on "Homelessness in New York City" at Congregation Shearith Israel here.

Some 100 representatives of more than 20 Jewish organizations attended the symposium.

Cohen said that the homeless people represent a cross section of the population. He said that they equally divide between males and females, ranging in age from infants to senior citizens. In some cases, the homeless are entire families, parents and their children.

He said that many of the homeless are educated individuals with high school diplomas and college degrees. He said the homeless are victims of unemployment, "inflated housing market" and lack of ability and knowledge about which welfare agencies to turn to for assistance.

Israelis are burning up over non smoking law

TEL AVIV [JTA] — Israelis are objecting to a new law that bans smoking in most public places and in buses.

Most people think the law is an infringement and cannot be enforced, according to spot surveys by the media.

The law, which went into effect Feb. 1, forbids smoking in elevators, movie theatres, hospitals and clinics, urban and inter-city buses and in schools, except for teachers' lounges.

Violators will be subject to a stiff fine, the equivalent of $45.

Smoking is also banned in public halls during meetings but not at weddings, bar mitzvahs and other celebrations.

Opponents say the law is unfair. They note that passengers on the 6-hour bus trip from Tel Aviv to Eilat will be forbidden to smoke but those who take the 1-hour flight to Eilat can smoke in the rear section of the aircraft.

Bus drivers charged with enforcing the ban have refused to do so on grounds that they are not policemen.

World-National

Racist words a problem in democracy

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

There is a good deal of discussion at the present time over the need to strengthen the racial incitement clauses in our Criminal Code. Currently the Alberta attorney-general has invoked the law to prosecute Jim Keegstra, and doubtless there will be much interest in the case. Should it fail to end in a conviction, there will be added pressure to amend the federal law; should it succeed, it would be a precedent for further prosecutions.

Rabbi Plaut

It is fascinating, therefore, to see that this kind of problem appears to be indigenous to a democracy which tries to maintain decent levels of discourse between its citizens and at the same time encourages and protects the exercise of free speech. I came across the following report from Israel which deals with precisely the same question. (It is taken verbatim from Israel Report, a publication of the World Jewish Congress).

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Racist utterances that do not imply direct incitement to illegal action cannot presently be prosecuted in Israel. This is basically the view taken by Attorney-General Izhak Zamir in a letter sent, on Nov. 29, 1983, to two members of the Knesset who called his attention to outrageous racist remarks made on Israeli TV by a Mr. Alexander Finkelstein of Natzrat Ilit. Many articles in the press were devoted to the subject, some of them advocating anti-racist legislation.

Zamir writes that such remarks against Arabs living in Natzrat Ilit, or against any other Arab citizens of the state, deserve full dissociation and severe condemnation, since "they contradict the principle that all Israeli citizens are equal before the law and there is no ground to distinguish between citizen and citizen because of nationality or religion," as proclaimed in the Declaration of the Establishment of the State of Israel.

The attorney-general adds that "in the present legal situation all public authorities have to abstain from discriminating between Jewish and Arab inhabitants . . . concerning acquisition or rent of housing units, or concerning any other matter. There is room for a public struggle to oppose manifestations of discrimination against Arab residents. In some cases it is also possible to adopt legal action in the struggle against discrimination and open criminal proceedings against inciters. In each case it is necessary to determine if things that have been said constitute an offence according to law.

"I have examined Finkelstein's remarks from this angle. His utterances, although outrageous, did not reach the point of inciting to act through illegal means and did not trespass on the limit beyond which they become a criminal offence. I do not find, therefore, in this case, ground to prosecute criminally. Still, I do not exclude the possibility that additional extremist utterances, on the same line as that of Finkelstein, might exceed that limit and justify criminal proceedings."

The Israel Interfaith Association issued a public statement on the subject, expressing shock and dismay at the statement's questioning the rights and status of the Arab population. Such expressions "are a direct contradiction of the fundamental principles on which the State of Israel is founded" and "flagrantly violate the moral and humanitarian heritage to which we all subscribe." Therefore, "We call on our legislators to ensure that all such expressions of racial or religious incitement against any section of the population be a punishable offence and to initiate legislation that will outlaw all forms of such incitement....

"We have been encouraged by official condemnations of the recent manifestations and hope that the government will pursue a rigorous policy to ensure that this evil be rooted from our midst."

It will be fascinating to watch developments on both sides of the ocean.

Community support crumbling

Reagan fights to keep Jewish vote

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

The Reagan administration has launched a drive to woo American Jews to the Republican fold.

Reagan advisors started the campaign prior to his announcement last week that he would seek re-election.

In the 1980 election, when he smashed Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan won 42% of the Jewish vote. No Republican presidential aspirant had ever been so successful in capturing the hearts and minds of Jews.

Jews, since the Depression, had voted overwhelmingly for the Democratic Party. Reagan, appealing to the surging conservatism among Jews, upset that pattern in stunning fashion.

Nearly four years later, Reagan is struggling to keep his Jewish electoral base from crumbling. Public opinion polls say that the former Hollywood actor with the crinkly smile and smooth voice has lost about half of his support in the Jewish community.

And this assessment is not mere conjecture.

In the 1982 congressional elections, Jewish backing for Republican candidates fell to less then 20%, according to the Harris and Gallup public opinion polls.

Jews grew disillusioned with the retaliatory measures Reagan took toward Israel in response to its actions. Specifically, Reagan suspended arms shipments to Israel after it destroyed Iraq's nuclear reactor and invaded Lebanon.

Some Jews, by contrast, were horrified by his rigidly conservative social and economic policies.

Cognizant of these undercurrents, the Reagan White House team began to increase contacts with the Jewish community.

Last December, on the fifth day of Chanukah, Reagan went down in history as the first president to participate in the lighting of a menorah at an official Jewish function. The event took place in Washington.

Not surprisingly, Reagan used the occasion to emphasize America's commitment to Israel. "The bonds between our two people grow stronger and they must not and will never be broken," he said to applause.

Reagan, a week earlier, was host to Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and his entourage. During Shamir's state visit, Israel and the U.S. strengthened their historic relationship by agreeing to collaborate strategically in the Middle East.

With one stroke, Reagan thereby erased the rancor caused by his decision in 1981 to suspend the U.S.-Israel memorandum on strategic understanding.

Since then, Reagan has bolstered his image among Jews by announcing that all future American military aid to Israel will be free.

On the other hand, he has triggered misgivings in certain Jewish quarters by welcoming Egypt's efforts to bring the PLO into the Middle East peace process.

As part of his effort to enlist Jews in Republican ranks, Reagan has appointed a new Jewish liaison "point man" in the White House.

Marshall Breger, a 37-year-old observant Jew, is the third such person in the Reagan administration to hold the title. He was preceded by Jacob Stern, a former chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, and Michael Gale, a onetime lobbyist at the American Israel Public Affairs Committee.

Breger, who has the upgraded title of special assistant to the President, came to the White House from the Heritage Foundation, a conservative think tank in the capital. He was there on leave from the New York School of Law. Breger possesses an advanced degree from Oxford University.

Assisting Breger will be Levi Rabinowitz, a New York political consultant, and Richard Fox, a 55-year-old Philadelphian who heads the Jewish National Coalition, and who believes that "the thrust of egalitarianism flies in the face of the fundamental growth and prosperity of Jews."

Steve Mendelson's image of President Reagan pursuing the butterfly of Jewish support.

Cartoon appeared in The Sentinel, Chicago.

Breger, in a recent interview with The Jewish Telegraphic Agency, said he thought that the policies of the Reagan administration "have been very favorable to the concerns of the American Jewish community."

Reagan, he said, has improved relations with Israel, voiced concern for Soviet Jewry, opposed abortion and supported tax credits for schools — a provision which would make it cheaper for religious Jews to send their children to private schools.

As Breger sees it, the Reagan administration has entered a "new phase" in its relationship with American Jews.

Claiming that the lines of communication between the White House and the Jewish community were insufficiently clear in the past two years, Breger said that this is no longer the case.

Breger said he has regular access to top officials — people like Secretary of Defence Casper Weinberger, National Security Advisor Robert McFarlane and Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger.

However, he has yet to have a meeting with the President himself.

He will, no doubt, meet Reagan as the presidential campaign heats up in the months ahead.

But Breger will not have an easy time of it, no matter what kind of access he has.

The political facts of life point to that.

According to a new American Jewish Committee survey, 59% of American Jews identify themselves as Democrats, while only 11% classify themselves as Republican. Thirty percent of Jews say they are independents.

More likely than not, Walter Mondale, a classic liberal, will probably be the Democratic standard bearer in the November election. And, as a majority of observers agree, Mondale, whose liberal attitudes appeal to most Jews, will be a formidable opponent.

The Gallup Poll shows Mondale running even against Reagan . . . months before the former vice-president has sewed up the Democratic nomination. Mondale has a proven pro-Israel, pro-Jewish record, and no campaign rhetoric from the Reagan camp can diminish this fact.

Rebukes Reagan administration

Carter calls for moderation

TORONTO —

Peace in the Middle East will remain impossible if the protagonists in the Arab-Israeli dispute do not modify their extreme positions, Jimmy Carter, the former U.S. president, said in a speech last week.

Carter, the architect of the Camp David Accords, told about 1,000 businessmen here that public demands put forward by Israel and the PLO are totally incompatible and therefore render a settlement out of reach.

Israel's refusal to withdraw from occupied territories and its reluctance to give Palestinians self-determination represents one obstacle, he said.

The PLO's unwillingness to recognize Israel is another roadblock, the 39th American president noted.

Now a visiting professor at the new Carter Center in Atlanta's Emory University, Carter suggested that a settlement can be based on United Nations resolution 242 and President Ronald Reagan's 1982 peace plan.

He described the Arab League Fez resolutions — which extend implicit Arab recognition of Israel and call for an independent Palestinian state — as a "promising sign."

Israel accepts UN resolution 242, but rejects the Reagan and Fez peace plans as detrimental to its national security.

Rebuking the Reagan administration for its handling of the Middle East conflict, the silver-haired Georgian said that neither Ronald Reagan nor Secretary of State George Shultz have invested much of their personal prestige in trying to solve the problems of that region.

Carter, who helped bring about the 1979 peace treaty between Israel and Egypt, said he had staked his reputation by injecting himself into the central issues of Middle Eastern diplomacy.

The ex-president deplored the fact that there are no current talks under way to settle the status of the West Bank, taken by Israel in the Six Day War.

Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter.

Carter, whose appearance in Toronto was sponsored by Universal Speakers, said some of his "most gratifying and frustrating" moments as a diplomat had been spent at Camp David in 1978, when he played the role of intermediary between Israel's Menachem Begin and Egypt's Anwar Sadat.

Patience and persistence, he observed, were the prerequisites for success at Camp David.

Sadat, he disclosed, showed impatience with negotiating delays, while Begin had to be prodded by his advisors and Israeli public opinion.

Begin, Carter said, was "almost always" the "most recalcitrant" member of the Israeli delegation at Camp David — which produced frameworks for an Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty and Palestinian autonomy.

Entries submitted from around the world

Composer wins Festival with song of Holocaust

By SHERYL HALPERN

MONTREAL — Paris fashion designer Claudine Arbusman became an award-winning songwriter at the fourth World Jewish Song Festival when she sang her song Point d'Interrogation [about a young girl seeking her Holocaust-victim mother] in front of a capacity crowd of 500 at the Snowdon YM-YWHA Grover Auditorium recently.

Arbusman, who sings and composes ballads and rock music as a hobby, won the first prize of $1,000 for her song.

Second prize ($500) was won by Uruguayan Eduardo Brenlla, an advertising agency writer, for La Sentinelle, a song he composed with co-worker Miguel Garcia.

Tucson, Arizona songwriters Tami Katzen and Esther Berry won third prize ($300) for their song Betzel Hamilhamot (In the Shadow of War), and Robert and Rhonda Blumberg, a father-and-daughter songwriting team from Oyster Bay Cove, NY, won fourth prize ($200) for their song Eretz Yisrael.

Nearly 300 songs were submitted for this year's festival; 12 finalists were chosen.

Some of the finalists were Canadian (Ruth Zylberberg, from Montreal; Maurice Benchitrit, from Ottawa; Marc Stone, from Toronto); others were from England, Australia and Romania.

Most of the finalists paid their way to the festival. "We have finalists here from overseas — a first for the festival," says Hilda Smolash, one of the organizers of the event. "Nine of the 12 finalists sang their own songs — all four winners did."

The festival organizers — Peter Smolash, production director, Hilda Smolash, coordinator, Fran Avni, artistic director, Peter Sipos, musical director, and Samuel Jacobson, co-founder and sponsor — have watched the Festival grow from a Montreal-based event to an international one.

International enough to attract Arbusman, from France. "I wrote the song before I heard about the festival. Then I saw an article about it in a journal. I came here, for the first time, in July. I phoned the Smolashes and said, 'Here I am! I have a cassette of my song for the festival.'

"I met with them, and they told me it would be months before I would hear whether or not I was a finalist," she said.

Point d'Interrogation is based on a true story, said Arbusman, "about a pregnant woman deported to the concentration camp, whose baby was born the day the camp was freed. The mother died; an American raised the baby girl. And the girl, when she was older, became obsessed with finding her mother; she believed that she did not die in the camp."

Judges at the 2-hour festival included Dora Wasserman, director of the Yiddish Drama Theatre; Tommy Schnurmacher, Montreal Gazette entertainment critic; Yitzhak Eldan, Israeli consul; Joseph Milo, teacher, composer and musician; Jane Dahan, director of the Centre Communautaire Juif and Shmuel Haramati, educational consultant to the Canadian Zionist Federation.

Musical accompaniment was provided by a 12-piece orchestra directed by Peter Sipos.

Parisian Claudine Arbusman sings her winning song at the World Jewish Song Festival. [Howard Kay photo]

CJC steps up Alberta activities

EDMONTON — Canadian Jewish Congress has allocated $50,000 for its work in Alberta, almost double last year's budget, national president Milton Harris announced recently at a "town-hall" meeting at the Edmonton Jewish Community Centre.

He said CJC is committed to carrying out more regional programming, not only in Alberta but elsewhere in Canada where there are small Jewish communities.

Despite "financial restraints," Harris said allocations to the Atlantic, Pacific and Western Regions are being increased. In Alberta alone, the budget has been increased from $26,000 in 1983 to this year's $50,000.

"Although over 70% of Canadian Jewry lives in Toronto and Montreal, Congress' efforts are national and our work must reflect that," he said. "We have a commitment to work together."

Attempts are being made to increase regional representation on national CJC committees, Harris said. For example, Winnipeg lawyer Joe Wilder was recently appointed vice-chairman of the National Community Relations Committee.

CJC executive director Jim Archibald, executive vice-president Alan Rose and Harris plan to travel frequently to the regions during 1984, Harris added.

Representatives of Alberta's larger Jewish communities attended the meeting with Harris. The CJC president said later that the townhall format is one way to provide a forum for open discussion and to heighten CJC's profile in the West. "This is an enormous step forward in creating a strong, committed regional Jewish community."

Among those present were Len Dolgoy, chairman of CJC's Alberta Region; Howard Starkman, president of the Edmonton Jewish Federation; and Herb Katz, chairman of the Federation's Community Relations Committee, who is also president of the Edmonton Jewish Community Council.

Harris commended the Alberta Jewish community leadership for taking the Edmonton Journal to the Alberta Press Council for publishing a cartoon depicting former Israeli defence minister Ariel Sharon as a Nazi war criminal.

He gave an update on CJC's current work in such areas as community relations, monitoring anti-semitism, minority rights and Nazi war criminals.

Harris presented a plaque to Herb Katz in recognition of the activities of Edmonton's Community Relations Committee and the community in general in connection with the Keegstra affair. A similar plaque was presented to Starkman of the Edmonton Jewish Federation, during the recent general assembly of the council of Jewish Federations held in Atlanta.

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By
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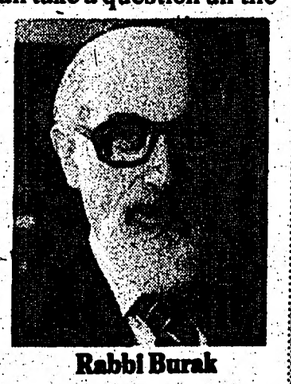
QUESTION: Can women be ordained as rabbis?

When a question arises in Jewish law, the answer must be found in the great sources of our faith: the Torah, the Talmud, Maimonides, the Shulchan 'Aruch, and the responsa of the great decisors. If one can take a question all the way back to the Bible, it is the best step to take.


Rabbi Burak

In Judges, Chapter 4:4 we read: "Now Deborah, a prophetess, the wife of Lappidoth, she judged Israel at that time."

If you always believed that women were denied all opportunities by Judaism, you should be quite taken aback by this sentence in the Bible. Here was a woman who occupied a position in Israel of greatest eminence, long before such offices became available to women in the modern world. Here was a woman who served as rabbi thousands of years before the Jewish Theological Seminary even talked about ordaining women.

Tosfos in Tractate Shevuoth, 29B subjects this Deborah story to a very sharp scrutiny. How could she be a judge, they ask. One answer is that since she was a prophetess they accepted her as a judge. How could you deny a woman who talked with God the privilege of being a judge?

Another answer is that she wasn't a judge; she was only their instructor on the laws of Israel.

There is an erudite analysis of the Tosfos in the Mleches Betsalel on Shevuoth. However, while a Deborah could be a judge, you can't have a lady in that office unless she is a prophetess.

This is the way one should look at this she'elah, and that's only the beginning. But that is not the way of those who opt for the ordination of women.

Mr. William Abrams, in his CJN article of Jan. 5, tells us of a different way to reach decisions on Jewish law. He tells us that "the United Synagogue, comprising 830 synagogues, and the Women's League for Conservative Judaism have both endorsed the move."

Suppose we take a look at the synagogues in the movement and rate the religious zeal of their people.

A gentleman who recently crossed the sea decided that while he had always attended an Orthodox synagogue, in Canada he would join a Conservative temple. It felt good to be one of 2,000 worshippers on Rosh Hashanah. But, a few weeks ago, when he came for Friday evening services, he was mortified to find only 20 worshippers at the service. So your young giant of a temple with its hundreds of families, has a bunch of spiritual illiterates voting on the question of ordaining women.

Another congregation in New Jersey is equally impressive as an example. The rabbi of this Conservative temple stated at a seminar that his president gave out instructions that on Friday night the lights must be lit til 10 "so that the non-Jews will think that there are services being held there." These are some of the deeply religious people who vote on questions of Jewish law.

The question as to who are the voters has been at the heart of heated debates within the Rabbinical Assembly itself.

When a shift in direction was being contemplated, Rabbi Samuel Rosenblatt of Baltimore, a professor at Johns Hopkins University, ordained by Chief Rabbi Kook z.l., addressed his brothers in the Rabbinical Assembly with these words: "Gentlemen, your law committee is like a Supreme Court. I beg of you to please take care that only men learned in our laws serve on it." To this, a young graduate of JTS replied: "I disagree. In my opinion, as a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary I am entitled to sit on the house committee and on the law committee."

From his standpoint, the young man was right. If Solomon Schechter could say "It is neither Scripture nor primitive Judaism but general custom, which forms the real rule of practice . . ." he need not be learned in the law. He need only know how to bow to his masters' will.

In the papers delivered at JTS on the ordination of women, the opening statement describes the Conservative way as "creative betrayal." Betrayal it is. It is not Toras Moshe but sociological considerations.

Tears flow as Chinese premier meets parents of dead student

By
JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON —

During his recent North American visit, Chinese premier Zhao Zyang met with Jewish Americans on both coasts, including San Francisco mayor Dianne Feinstein and Edward Koch, mayor of New York.

In Washington, Zhao formed a deep respect for the state department's top official for Sino-American relations, Paul Wolfowitz, assistant secretary of state for Far Eastern affairs.

But the most poignant moments of his trip happened here, when Zhao met the parents of a young Jewish student who died of an incurable disease contracted while in China learning about its people, language and culture.

Tears of both sadness and joy flowed at the Sidwell Friends School when Zhao visited the Chinese language class of 20 students, started in memory of John Fisher Zeidman, who had graduated from the private school in 1979.

Less than three years later, Zeidman was dead from viral encephalitis which he'd contracted in Peking where he was an exchange student.

Zhao canceled a formal U.S. government farewell ceremony to visit the class and meet Philip and Nancy Zeidman, John's parents, and one of his two sisters, 16-year-old Jennifer.

The 64-year-old leader told the Zeidmans that their effort to establish the Chinese studies program "is the best way to cherish the memory of your son. He had a warm heart for China and his schoolmates and teachers in Peking miss him very much."

The Zeidmans raised more than $200,000 for the program and were aided by the Chinese embassy in Washington, which contributed some 400 books on Chinese history, literature and customs. Moon cakes and calendars were also donated to the class.

Zhao invited the Zeidmans and the class members to be his guests in China.

Philip Zeidman wrote the eulogy for his son's funeral service held Jan. 5, 1982, at the Washington Hebrew Congregation.

It was read by the youth's uncle, Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver. In it, the father recalled his son's aptitude for Chinese, his illness, their visit to him in a Peking hospital, and John's bar mitzvah speech seven years earlier at the same altar at which the eulogy was being given.

He recalled the boy saying at the altar: "For the brief period of our lives, we are allowed to inhabit this earth. And it is our duty and our privilege to improve it, cultivate it, and enrich it — and, if we are wise, to leave it a better world than we found it."

Zeidman also recalled when he was in Peking and his son lay mortally ill that "there is in the world far more love and empathy than a popular cynicism would have us believe."

The lesson, his eulogy text said, emerged "unforgettably at a hastily assembled Kol Nidre service in Peking, where I was surrounded by Catholics and Protestants as well as by Jews, all praying for John Zeidman." The eulogy concluded with the father repeating in Yiddish a "silent message" from John's grandfather.

Zeidman became well known in China by his rebuttal of a published criticism about the medical care John received in China. Both articles appeared in The Washington Post in January 1982.

Zeidman praised Chinese care for his son before he was flown to Baltimore, saying: "John did not die of inadequate care or unsanitary medical facilities. He died of viral encephalitis.

"And while he was far likelier to have contracted that disease in China than in America, he was a good deal less likely in China to have died at the hands of, say, a drunk driver or an armed mugger.

"One of our companions on an earlier trip to China was Dr. Michael Halberstam, who returned safely to Washington only to be shot to death by a burglar in his own home."

Passion Play under fire for anti-Jewish content

NEW YORK —

The president of the American Association of Travel Editors (AATE) has urged West German and European officials to effect revisions suggested by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith in this year's famed Oberammergau Passion Play in order to remove its anti-Jewish content.

Jurgen Hartmann, head of the journalists' group, whose members have a combined 40 million readers on two continents, expressed his concern about the Passion Play's anti-Judaism in letters to Frank Hofmann, mayor of the Bavarian village where the 350th anniversary production is to be staged this year; West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl; the director-general of the German Tourist Board, and the chairman of the European Travel Commission.

"I know that virtually all of my colleagues share my feelings regarding your passion play," said Hartmann in his letter to Mayor Hofmann, urging him to follow ADL's recommended script revisions. "By bringing the play into conformity with contemporary Catholic thought," he added, "Oberammergau can become a place of international understanding."

Hartmann's correspondence was prompted by a letter to Mayor Hofmann made public by ADL last November, in which the agency said it was "deeply troubled" that no further changes were contemplated in the pageant.

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Stock exchange makes mild comeback

Israel pushes public to keep government bonds

JERUSALEM [JTA]— The Israeli government last week was making strenuous efforts to restore public confidence in government index-linked bonds.

The inventory of these bonds is growing, reflecting what seems to be public distrust of the government's ability to honor its financial commitments.

The Bank of Israel, Israel's central bank, reportedly injected an estimated $100 million into the stock market to stabilize the bonds.

Moshe Mandelbaum, governor of the Bank of Israel, told the media that the government would continue to support the bonds, which it sees as an important savings device.

Avraham Shapiro, chairman of the Bank of Israel's consultative council, insisted, "There is no better investment than government bonds."

He claimed "the guarantee of the State of Israel is even better than that of Chase Manhattan Bank."

His remarks were intended to convince Israelis to buy more bonds and hold on to those they own. This would reduce the money in circulation.

The Tel Aviv stock exchange last week went bullish, after weeks of falling prices.

The biggest gains were in the shares of commercial banks, now backed by a government guarantee to redeem them at their Oct. 5, 1983 dollar value, if they are held from four to seven years, plus interest of up to 7% per annum.

The Oct. 5 date is important, because since then commercial bank shares lost about 70% of their dollar value as they were dumped en masse in anticipation of a drastic devaluation of the shekel.

The Treasury has gone all-out to shore up the bank shares to encourage savings and slow down runaway inflation.

What is described as a "mini-boom" on the stock exchange was triggered, not by the government's guarantee, however, but by the First International Bank of Israel.

The latter bought up large quantities of other bank shares at low prices and is marketing them on the promise of a high yield long-term savings scheme.

This is based on the presumption that with the Treasury's backing, the price of the shares will rise in the months ahead.

Other investors followed suit. The price of bank shares went up some 15% in two days last week.

Smithsonian wants to exclude items

Israeli exhibition won't be seen

WASHINGTON [JTA]— The Smithsonian Institution has cancelled an Israeli archeological exhibition scheduled to open in May after the Israeli government asked to be released from the undertaking.

The Israelis objected because the Smithsonian decided to exclude 11 items from the Rockefeller Museum in East Jerusalem on grounds that their ownership is in dispute.

The museum, which the Israeli government took over after the capture of East Jerusalem from Jordan in 1967, was established by the Rockefeller family in the 1920s and was privately owned until 1948 when it was nationalized by Jordan.

Danny Kyram, a spokesman for the Israeli embassy here, said the Smithsonian was believed to have come under pressure from Arab and other sources which do not recognize Israel's sovereignty in East Jerusalem, but said he had no first-hand knowledge of such pressure.

Kennedy Schmertz, director of the Smithsonian's office of international activities, denied there was any pressure. He said the 11 items were excluded in order to preserve the institution's neutrality in the ownership dispute. He did not describe the items but said they were not essential to the exhibit. Kyram insisted they were.

The exhibition was to have run from May 4-July 15 at the Smithsonian and then to have toured American cities until 1986. The tour also has been cancelled.

The episode is the second of its kind involving a major American museum.

Two years ago, the Metropolitan Museum in New York cancelled an Israeli archeological exhibit because it refused to display under Israeli aegis, items from the West Bank which is disputed territory. The Metropolitan also said at the time that the exhibit would have created security problems for the museum.

He'll try once more

WASHINGTON — The lawyer for the South Carolina man who is laying claim to about half of Labrador says his client will appeal.

Newfoundland Supreme Court has dismissed the case of Dr. Daniel de La Penha who said a 17th century Dutch ancestor was granted territory in Labrador by King William of England in 1697 [CJN, Feb. 2].

"We are very disappointed and intend to appeal in the Newfoundland Supreme Court's appeals division," Andrew James Samet, of the Washington law firm Chapman, Duff and Paul, told The Canadian Jewish News.

The statement of claim by de La Penha, of Hilton Head Island, SC, "disclosed no reasonable grounds of action," Chief Justice T. Alex Hickman said in a 22-page judgment, according to a Canadian Press report.

De La Penha, 61, is the grandson of Isaac de La Penha, a cantor at Montreal's Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, who launched an unsuccessful bid to claim Labrador in 1926. Daniel is the son of Philip, one of the two sons of Isaac de La Penha.

Rosenne honored

WASHINGTON [JTA]— Israel's ambassador to the U.S., Meir Rosenne, was guest of honor last week here at the Third National Prayer Breakfast in honor of Israel.

The 4,000 persons attending presented him with a proclamation on behalf of the "five-million-plus Bible-believing Christians" in America, affirming the strong bonds between the U.S. and Israel.

The sponsoring group, which has honored Israel at two previous Prayer Breakfasts, claims to be the largest assembly of Christian leaders in the U.S.

The proclamation reaffirmed America's commitment to Israel's security and urged both the executive branch and Congress to pursue strategic cooperation with Israel in the interests of peace.

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Largest demonstration ever held in Jerusalem

Thousands march for murdered peace activist

JERUSALEM [JTA] — An estimated 40,000 people marched and massed in the heart of Jerusalem on Sunday to commemorate the first anniversary of the grenade murder of Peace Now activist Emil Grunzweig.

The demonstration, organized by the Peace Now movement, was the largest ever held in the city.

In addition to demands that the killers of Grunzweig be brought to justice, the demonstrators called for the complete withdrawal of Israeli troops from Lebanon and urged the Likud government to step down.

Grunzweig, a 33-year-old teacher, was killed when a hand grenade of Israel army issue was thrown into a crowd of Peace Now demonstrators on the night of Feb. 10, 1983, outside the Prime Minister's office.

The marchers, bearing torches, formed a human chain along Ben Yehuda St., one of Jerusalem's main thoroughfares and ascended the hill to the government offices. It was the same route followed by the Peace Now group, Grunzweig among them, almost a year ago. Sunday night was the first anniversary of his death according to the Hebrew calendar.

The memorial rally began with a minute of silence for Grunzweig. Speakers who addressed the throne included Mayor Teddy Kollek of Jerusalem. He said the grenade which killed Grunzweig was a warning that terrorism had infiltrated the Jewish community and was being used by Jews against Jews. The warning was not heeded and terror continued and was even strengthened, the mayor said.

He was referring, apparently, to the recent grenade and bomb incidents at Christian and Moslem religious shrines — most recently on the Temple Mount — attributed to Jewish extremists. "Either we control terror or terror will control us," Kollek warned.

Tzalli Reshef, a Peace Now leader, declared that the memory of Grunzweig can be honored by continuing in his path and demanding those in responsible positions be held accountable for their actions.

He cited mounting demands for a withdrawal from Lebanon. "More and more people support Peace Now, fewer and fewer are willing to support a failing policy such as that of the government," he said.

Shaul Friedlander, a professor at the Hebrew University, aimed his remarks at the Likud government. "You have been here too long for the too little good you have done. In the name of God, go," he demanded.

2 killed, 11 hurt in hotel blaze

TEL AVIV [JTA] — **Two persons were killed and 11 were injured in a fire that swept through the top of two floors of a 5-storey luxury hotel on the slopes of the Dead Sea on Sunday.**

Four other persons were at first reported missing, but they had apparently checked out earlier. The tourism ministry has appointed a commission to investigate the cause of the fire.

The blaze broke out on the upper floors of the Moriah Hotel. Fifteen persons who sought shelter on the roof soon found themselves trapped by the fire.

Army helicopters sent to rescue them gave up their efforts when it was found that the downdraft of the copters' rotors was only fanning the flames. The 15 persons were finally taken off the roof by cranes rushed up from the nearby Dead Sea potash works.

It took some six hours for firefighters to bring the fire under control.

The 11 injured were taken to hospitals in Jerusalem and Beersheba by army helicopters.

Gemayel fall won't hurt Israelis

JERUSALEM [JTA] — The new turmoil in Lebanon, capped by the resignation over the weekend of Prime Minister Shafiq Wazzan's cabinet, has dimmed the prospects that President Amin Gemayel can survive the crisis, political sources here said Sunday.

But government sources maintained that even if Gemayel relinquishes or is removed from the presidency, Israel can make desirable security arrangements in south Lebanon to protect its northern borders.

The Israelis are reportedly continuing to work with local forces in the south which could be capable of assuming security responsibility in the area, possibly with only a limited Israel Defence Force presence.

It was with the Gemayel regime that Israel finally concluded a withdrawal and security agreement signed last May 17, but never ratified by the Lebanese government. The accord, which fell short of the peace treaty Israel had been seeking and was reached, after many months of negotiations, through the direct intervention of U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz.

While both Israel and the Reagan administration stand by it, sources here say the U.S. is disenchanted with the situation in Lebanon because of Gemayel's failure to include the Druze and other opposition elements in his government.

The Israelis are watching the situation in Lebanon closely but have no intention to intervene, the sources stressed.

Israel has refrained for some time from making any promises to the Gemayel regime as it had done in the past when Gemayel seemed to have the ability to effect national reconciliation, a strong central government and a viable Lebanese army.

The resignation of Wazzan, a Sunni Moslem, was seen as a move to pave the way for the establishment of a more representative cabinet.

Keegstra case remanded but no plea entered

By PAUL LUNGEN

EDMONTON — The case involving Jim Keegstra continues.

The former Eckville, Alberta high school teacher charged with promoting hatred of Jews appeared in court briefly Feb. 1, and had his case remanded to Feb. 29. A trial date will likely be set at that time.

About 80 people jammed the courtroom in Red Deer to hear Keegstra read a prepared statement requesting that his hearing be adjourned so his counsel, B.C. lawyer Doug Christie, could represent him. (CJN Feb. 2)

Keegstra, who did not enter a plea, told the court he expects Christie will receive certification to practice law in Alberta on Feb. 10.

After court, Keegstra told the media he sees government moving towards a Talmudic or Communist form, away from a Christian one.

Keegstra said he was looking forward to the trial, describing it as a learning process for the Canadian people with regard to their freedom of speech.

About a dozen members of the Christian Defence League, a recently formed organization which backs Keegstra, attended the hearing.

Afterwards, CDL members paraded at the courthouse carrying placards saying "Keegstra Canadian martyr" and "Lougheed against freedom of speech."

The president of the CDL, Terry Long of Bentley, Alberta, said the CDL was there to give Keegstra moral support and to defend him if he was attacked. But there was no sign of an anti-Keegstra demonstration at the hearing.

In a press release issued by the CDL, the group alleged a connection existed between the recent uncovering of Nazi artifacts in a trunk in British Columbia and the Keegstra hearing.

The CDL claimed the announcement of the find was timed to coincide with the hearing to damage Keegstra's case.

Meanwhile in Edmonton, the teaching profession appeal board met to determine whether Keegstra's teaching certificate will be suspended.

The 3-person board is considering Keegstra's appeal from a recommendation of the minister of education, based on a finding of the Alberta Teachers Association discipline committee, that Keegstra's teaching certificate be revoked and his membership in ATA be suspended. At press time there was no announcement of a decision.

Daily chapters

The daily chapters in the international 3-year Bible reading cycle of the World Jewish Bible Society and the Jewish Agency are, for this week:

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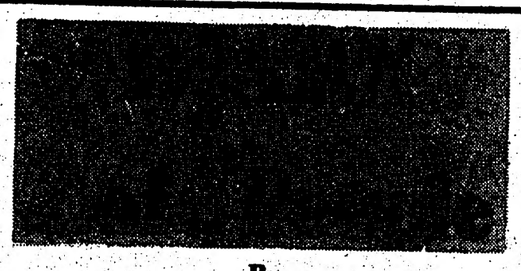

By
DAVID BIRKAN

On Feb. 9, 1973, Ovadiah Yosef, then Sephardi Chief Rabbi of Israel, renewed an earlier ruling that the Falashas were Jews. The plight of the black Beta Israel, as they call themselves, was once more brought to the attention of world Jewry, at a time when uncertainty and political turbulence in their native Ethiopia mounted.

How these Jews came to the hilly land in west-central Africa is shrouded in legend. One account declares them the descendants of the Hebrew soldiers, artisans and scholars said to have accompanied the Queen of Sheba back from her visit to King Solomon nearly 3,000 years ago. Another has it that their ancestors were of the tribe of Dan escaping the Assyrian conquest. Their forefathers could also have been Solomon's troops guarding Eilat or the Jewish mercenaries protecting the southern reaches of Egypt.

The Beta Israel formed an independent kingdom until the 16th century, when they numbered about half a million. At the start of the 20th century, they totalled about 125,000. Now, scattered in several hundred villages, impoverished and disease-ridden, they are 22,000 or less.

The Beta Israel — Falasha means alien or intruder — practice a pre-rabbinic form of Judaism, largely a literal application of the mitzvot of the Torah. They observe kashruth, circumcision, redemption of the first born, and particularly stringent laws of family purity. They observe the Torah-appointed feasts and holidays; later celebrations, such as Purim and Chanukah, were unknown to them until recently.

The Beta Israel's main language, Amharic, is heavily laden with ancient Hebrew. A caste of priests calling themselves Cahenim act as their spiritual leaders. Among other things, they read from a version of the Torah written in Ge'ez, an ancient Ethiopian semitic language.

The Beta Israel's Jewishness was first confirmed in recent times by the 16th century's Rabbi David ibn Zimra, the Radbaz. After detailed study, he declared them "of the seed of Israel, of the tribe of Dan." He said that marriage to a Beta Israel was permissible as long as the latter accepted the current practices of Orthodox Judaism.

The Radbaz, spiritual leader of North Africa, lived in Cairo and was particularly close to the Beta Israel community.

In the mid-19th century, the widespread inroads into Africa by Christian missionaries prompted European Jewry to renew its contacts with the Ethiopians. Rabbi Azriel Hildesheimer, a founder of Agudat Israel, urged in 1864 that a special mission be undertaken to the Beta Israel. France's Alliance Israelite Universelle, the leading cultural and philanthropic Jewish organization of the time, sent semitic scholar Joseph Halevy to study them.

Halevy filled his Polish-born protege Jacques Faitlovich with enthusiasm for the Ethiopians, whom he first visited in 1904. Faitlovich dedicated himself to them. He studied their culture and brought it to the West, and worked across Europe and the U.S. to acquire support for bringing them into current traditional Judaism.

In the 20s, he founded pro-Beta Israel groups in Palestine, Europe and the U.S. Faitlovich sent promising young Beta Israel men to study Jewish and general education in the west, to serve as teachers to their community upon their return.

In 1906, Faitlovich obtained a letter of support addressing the Beta Israel as "our brethren, sons of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob who dwell in Abyssinia," signed by 44 of the world's leading rabbis.

Impressed by Faitlovich's work, Avraham Kook, then Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi of Palestine, called upon world Jewry in 1921 "to save our Falasha brethren from extinction and contamination." By then, their number had fallen to 50,000.

In recent years, several thousand made their way to Israel, hiking with their aged, women, and young children hundreds of kilometres to flights from the Sudan.

In the Holy Land, they face their greatest challenge: healthy integration in a modern industrial society, whose reactions to the Beta Israel vary from indifference and hostility to sympathy and understanding.

Orthodox told to reassess role to meet challenges facing them

SPRING GLEN, NY [JTA] —

A leading Orthodox rabbi warned recently that American Orthodox Jewry "is facing formidable challenges from the secular, the uninterested, the 'turned off' and the feminist movement."

Rabbi Gilbert Klaperman, president of the Rabbinical Council of America, told the organization's midwinter conference, that "unless we recognize that these challenges raise legitimate problems for organized religion, we will lose the opportunity to hold the line against defections."

He said the synagogue "must reassess its traditional role and develop surrogate services for the singles, the poor, the disadvantaged, the unlettered and the alienated. We must reach out to the lonely and the wandering."

Klapperman told the several hundred rabbis from across the country that a committee should be formed in every synagogue to be responsible for compiling "a registry of singles, single-parent families and the needy in their communities and that a sufficient number of homes be opened to them on a regular basis.

"What I would like to see is the children of single-parent families included in a stable family setting. It is a rough world out there for those who are lonely, and Judaism requires that we share not only our material blessing but also ourselves and our homes and our hearts."

Dealing with a major topic of the conference, "the synagogue and Its Relationship With the Non-Jewish community," Klapperman said that "we must communicate with the Christian community. There is increasing polarization and consequent tension between the relations and the races which must be diminished and resolved."

He cited anti-semitic flareups, the daubing of swastikas on walls of synagogue buildings, and tensions between Blacks and whites. "We may not all believe the same, but we must learn to live side by side in harmony," Klapperman said.

He emphasized that the synagogue must reassess its longtime reluctance to express its opinion on political matters and that the Rabbinical Council of America should be prepared to make clear and meaningful statements on the sanctity of life, the issues of peace and nuclear proliferation.

"The synagogue sanctuary is no longer isolated from the impact of the political arena," Klaperman said. "Religion has much to say about economic security, health, poverty, and morality in government and international affairs."

News service covers Jewish world

JTA prides itself for independence

By
PAUL LUNGEN

The past 50 years are among the most momentous in Jewish history, with events like the Holocaust and the birth of Israel dominating the consciousness of all Jews.

Some of the lesser known, though often colorful, events during that period were recounted recently by newsman John Kayston at a meeting in Atlanta at which he was honored.

Kayston, executive vice-president of the Jewish Telegraph Agency (JTA), a news service dealing with Jewish concerns, retired recently after 48 years with the organization. He recalls that JTA, which counts The CJN among its subscribers, played a prominent role in Jewish concerns during that period.

In 1933, JTA's foreign correspondent, Boris Smolar, planned a short visit to Germany to report on Jewish life under the Nazis. Despite the dangers, Smolar's 1-week trip turned into a 4-year stay, until the Gestapo labeled him a "danger to the Third Reich" and had him deported.

Smolar's reporting in Europe and the Middle East during the 1920s and 1930s helped establish the JTA's credibility with the general media. But in 1940 some of the major North American dailies, including the New York Times, discontinued their subscriptions to the JTA, saying its slugline was too parochial and implied biased news reporting.

JTA established the Overseas News Agency [ONA] as a subsidiary in 1940 and enlisted some prominent journalists to help get the service off the ground.

Among the ONA's stable of reporters and correspondents were such well known writers as Theodore White, Meyer Levin, Elie Abel and Herbert Bayard Swope.

ONA's correspondent in Stockholm was Willy Brandt, who later went on to become chancellor of West Germany.

Brandt was a reporter

Brandt, using the assumed name Karl Frahm, made several undercover trips to Nazi Germany in the early 1940s. He was the first correspondent to report on the "final solution" to the Jewish problem — the extermination of European Jewry.

Within one year of its establishment, the ONA was being carried by more than 50 Canadian and American daily newspapers. During World War II the ONA was translated into more than 20 languages and distributed to the foreign language press in Canada and the United States. The service was dissolved in 1950.

Meanwhile, following the liberation of Europe from the Nazis, the parent JTA worked to obtain lists of survivors in Europe. It passed them on to the United States for distribution so that relatives could get in touch with the survivors.

Over the course of his 48 years in the news business, Kayston recalls, the JTA "fought constantly to maintain its independence" of groups trying to influence its coverage. JTA's independence and impartial reporting are its most valuable assets, without which, Kayston said, it would lose its effectiveness.

Martin Fox, left, president of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, presents John Kayston with plaque in recognition of dedicated service. [JTA photo]

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Desperate act

The purpose of terrorism, as Lenin once said, "is to terrorize." It is doubtful, however, whether even Lenin could have anticipated the new dimension of terrorism which Islamic Shi'ite fundamentalists are adding to that macabre metier.

The new terrorism, an expression of Khomeinism, has already shown its face in the bombing of the Marine compound in Beirut and other similar acts of suicidal destruction. The recent security measures taken by authorities in Washington (to protect Congress) demonstrates how seriously the menace of kamikaze-like assaults is being taken.

The comparison of the Shi'ite martyr complex and the Japanese kamikaze initiative is not frivolous. The Shi'ite terrorists who are ready to die for the cause of Islam (or their interpretation thereof) are precisely like those Japanese pilots who were ready to ram their aircraft into U.S. vessels in Pacific waters in 1944.

Both believed that their deaths would bring rewards in the world beyond. Shi'ite terrorist-martyrs are given a particularly vivid description of the paradise that awaits them. It is this vision which propels Iranian teenagers to attack much better armed Iraqi troops head on in the ongoing Gulf war.

It should be noted, however, that terrorism of the kind that the Iranians have sponsored in Lebanon [along with their ideological cousins] is an act of desperation. The kamikazes did not save Japan; they merely prolonged the agony of their countrymen. It is regretable that the same scenario appears to be unfolding in the Levant.

A tough task

We note with interest that Judge Phil Givens has apparently decided to give up the presidency of the Canadian Zionist Federation. He has served in that position for 11 years and has displayed strong leadership qualities during a tumultuous period of Canadian and Israeli history.

Two candidates have already indicated their intention of running for the presidency. Before the CZF meets to elect its new president, there will probably be other nominees as well.

Interest in the Federation's top position shows that Canadian Jews understand the primacy of Israel in the lives of Canadian Jews. As a community, Canadian Jews support vigorously Israel's present strength and future potential.

The new president will have difficult tasks ahead.

There is a perception today that the rift between Israel and Diaspora Jews is increasing.

Again, Zionist leadership in this country will have to concern itself with the growing rift within Israel between Sephardi and Ashkenazi constituencies.

The most serious dilemma which the new chief officer of the CZF will encounter is the pro-Arab tilt apparent to some which the government of Canada has been making in its Mideast policy.

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For many Canadian Jews the Canadian Zionist Federation is the major link with world Jewish concerns. We are referring here to the smaller communities. And in the metropolitan centres, the CZF has its role to play in sensitizing Jews to the special relationship which exists between Canadian Jews and our Israeli brethren.

The election of a CZF president, therefore, is a matter to be given serious consideration.

Friends defend author

Orwell not racist, just insensitive

THE JEWISH WORLD

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Malcolm Muggeridge, the noted British journalist, is quoted as having said that George Orwell, the author of 1984 and Animal Farm, was an unrepentant anti-semite in private.

An editorial in the Jan. 12 edition of The Canadian Jewish News carried this piece of information as it were an undisputed fact — which it is not.

T. R. Fyvel, the former literary editor of the Jewish Chronicle of London, knew Orwell as a close friend and once wrote a personal memoir about him. In a recent appreciation of Orwell in the pages of the Jewish Chronicle, Fyvel refutes the allegation that he was an anti-semite.

As a product of the British middle class, Orwell had misconceptions about Jews, saying, for example, that Jews were either "little pedlars or shopkeepers" or wealthy businessmen and financiers who tried to play down their Jewishness.

Orwell, Fyvel claims, was "insensitive" to the plight of Jewish refugees in Europe after World War II.

Yet Orwell, he adds, regarded anti-semitism as a profoundly irrational phenomenon, and was appalled at the strength of the anti-semitism he encountered.

Toward the end of his life, the majority of his friends were Jews, and "the very idea that he could personally display any anti-semitic reaction — that was just unthinkable."

Orwell, Fyvel reminds a reader, made a Jewish intellectual the sole heroic dissenter in his chilling novel, 1984, which is still a best seller in the paperback market.

Readers of The Canadian Jewish News feel just as strongly as Fyvel that Orwell was maligned by Muggeridge.

Ben Kayfetz says he was "appalled" by the editorial in this newspaper. As he puts it: "There was much about the Jews that Orwell did not understand. He had his English middle class prejudice to overcome. He made a serious effort to rise above these . . . He faced the problem of anti-semitism honestly and with integrity. To call him an anti-semite . . . is an unworthy gibe at this serious and sincere thinker . . ."

Reader Harry Steiner theorizes that Orwell turned very bitter when his Jewish publisher, Victor Gollancz, refused to publish his great manuscript, Homage To Catalonia. "It is possible that he could have introduced anti-semitic overtones in private comments to Gollancz. Many of us make racial utterances in private that we wouldn't dream of doing in the presence of more than a very few people at most. Maybe that makes many of us racists — but that's throwing such a wide net that the term loses all meaning."

In conclusion, Steiner writes: "I would suggest there are enough anti-semites around, easily identifiable, without having to label Orwell one on the basis of one person's recollections or impressions."

Jack Orbaum, another reader, refers us to a London Letter Orwell published in the Partisan Review of May, 1943. "He writes about the problems of growing anti-semitism in England and shows that he was a man who was sympathetic to Jews, and definitely not anti-semitic. Perhaps this is the reason there were, reputedly, many Jews at his funeral."

Paul Truster, who also objected to the innuendo about Orwell, observes: "To label Orwell an anti-semite — to lump him with fellow authors T. S. Eliot or Ezra Pound — would be grossly unfair. He was, rather, a man who clearly despised his own prejudices, struggled to overcome them, and committed his immense literary gifts to the pursuit of justice."

Orwell, he explains, did oppose Zionism, and all other forms of nationalism. And Orwell did characterize British Zionists as "A bunch of Wardour Street Jews who have a controlling influence over the British press."

Yet, Truster goes on to say, many passages from his published writings show a very different man.

In his 1945 essay, Anti-semitism in Britain, Orwell acknowledged that anti-semitism was "essentially a neurosis . . . and will not yield to argument." In the same essay, Orwell said that "the Jewish war effort seldom gets its fair share of recognition . . ."

Clearly, it is simplistic to argue that, in private, Orwell was an unrepentant anti-semite. He may have said this or that behind closed doors. What really counts is what he wrote for the public. And the record suggests that, far from being a narrow-minded Jew hater, Orwell was a broad-minded empathetic writer.

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SOVIET UNION IN PERSPECTIVE

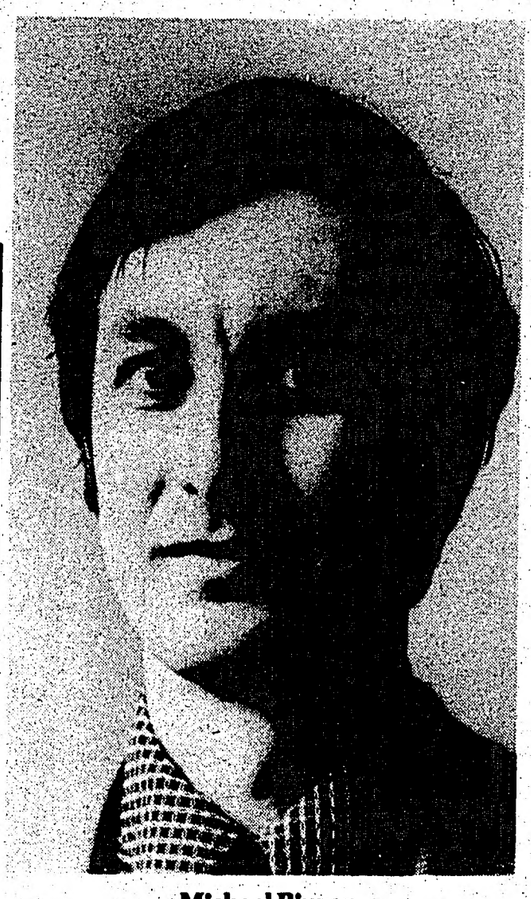
It is a moot point how many Jews wish to leave the Soviet Union. The fact of the matter is that a good percentage of Russian Jewry, for whatever reason, wants out.

Michael Binyon, a British journalist, does not disagree with this thesis. However, he posits the proposition that emigration has had a destabilizing effect on Russian Jews.

In his impressionistic book, **Life In Russia [Collins, $24.95]**, Binyon contends that the prospect of emigration has raised hopes which are often disappointed, and has encouraged a restlessness among Jews who would not previously have thought of leaving.

Moscow correspondent for The Times of London from 1977 until 1982, Binyon claims that the flight of Jews (now reduced to a trickle) since the early 1970s has provoked "considerable envy" among non-Jews who also dream of emigrating. "Being Jewish nowadays is not a religion, it's a passport," he quotes a popular saying.

David Shipler, who reported from Moscow for The New York Times, approaches the problem from a different direction.



Michael Binyon

Author George Orwell

Emigration, being viewed as an act of disloyalty by the authorities, is a wrenching experience for everyone — from the applicant to his employer.

When a Jewish professional decides to leave his homeland, he submits himself to an emotionally-draining process. And his very application casts a shadow on his boss, no matter how compliant he happens to be, writes Shipler in **Russia: Broken Idols, Solemn Dreams [Fitzhenry & Whiteside, $24.50].**

Employers, therefore, refuse to hire Jews out of the fear that they may try to emigrate one day.

Needless to say, it is a vicious circle . . . a sad commentary on contemporary Soviet society.

It is Binyon's contention that the Soviet Union has tilted toward outright suppression of Jewish culture. Ironically, the more the government seeks to quash Jewish identity and religious practice, the stronger is the demand for emigration and the more inflamed is anti-semitic nationalist sentiment, he believes.

Marxist rhetoric hasn't eradicated anti-semitism

Anti-semitism has deep roots in Russia, and Marxist rhetoric has not eradicated it. Shipler, who was stationed in Moscow from 1975 to 1979, says that Russianism — an unofficial alternative to Communism — moves into anti-semitism without much difficulty.

Citing the case of Russian nationalist Vladimir Yemelyanov, once an Arabic translator for Nikita Khrushchev, Shipler tells of the anti-semitic obsessions which possess him.

In 1980, Yemelyanov was expelled from the Communist Party for smuggling an anti-Jewish book abroad for publication by a Palestinian organization, Shipler relates. The book claimed that Palestine "was Russian since olden times" and that the Slavic race — which he called the backbone of the Aryans — was "the greatest creative force of the ancient world."

His offense, in official eyes, was not in the book's content but in its publication overseas without party or state permission!

Anti-semitism notwithstanding, Jews have got ahead by dint of talent or caution. One such person, Moscow Radio's principal broadcaster, is profiled by Binyon in an engaging pen portrait.

The man in question is Yuri Levitan, who has the "most famous voice" in the Soviet Union. He has delivered all the important announcements for the past 45 years, and he survived the vicissitudes of the Stalinist era because he was "the ultimate self-effacing servant of the party" and kept his political opinions to himself.

Call him an expert in survival.

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Opinion

Holocaust diary reveals moving appreciation of life

On Feb. 3, Lester & Orpen Dennys published An Interrupted Life: The Diaries of Etty Hillesum, a document of the Holocaust.

Hillesum, a Dutch Jew from an assimilated background, wrote her diary as the Nazis tightened the screw on Holland's substantial Jewish community. Far from being a chronicle about oppressive death, her diary is a moving appreciation of life — a complement to Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl.

An Interrupted Life, which has sold over 200,000 copies in Europe, is being published simultaneously with other publishers in Britain and the U.S.

Etty Hillesum, who was born in 1914, died when she was 29. Following are excerpts from her diary.

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FRIDAY MORNING: One moment it is Hitler, the next it is Ivan the Terrible; one moment it is resignation and the next war, pestilence, earthquake or famine. Ultimately what matters most is to bear the pain, to cope with it and to keep a small corner of one's soul unsullied, come what may.

LATER. I keep fretting and brooding and trying to do the most urgent daily chores as quickly as possible, and there is a knot inside that makes it hard to breathe and I rack my brains and have to give up my studies for part of the morning, pace up and down the room, have a stomachache, and so on, and suddenly my confidence floods back: later, when I have survived it all, I shall write stories about these times that will be like faint brush strokes against the great wordless background of God, Life, Death, Suffering and Eternity.

Your worries leap up on you like vermin. All right, so you have to do some scratching and your looks suffer as a result, but in the end you manage to shake them off. I shall treasure the short time I still have to stay here as one might a bonus, as a holiday.

A hard day, a very hard day. We must learn to shoulder our common fate; everyone who seeks to save himself must surely realize that if he does not go another must take his place. As if it really mattered which of us goes. Ours is now a common destiny and that is something we must not forget.

A very hard day. But I keep finding myself in prayer. And that is something I shall always be able to do, even in the smallest space: pray. And that part of our common destiny which I must shoulder myself, I strap tightly and firmly to my back, it becomes part of me, as I walk through the streets even now.

And I shall wield this slender fountain pen as if it were a hammer and my words will have to be so many hammer-strokes with which to beat out the story of our fate and of a piece of history as it is and never was before.

8 O'CLOCK. Well, now, let's put a lid on all today's tumult, and I'll have this evening to myself in peace and quiet concentration. A yellow tea rose on my desk is flanked by two small vases of violets. After our regular evening conversation with the others S. looked utterly worn out and said, "How on earth do the Levis stand it? I can't take any more, I feel absolutely awful."

As for me, I am able to put everything, fact and rumor, behind me and study and read all evening. How odd: not a single one of the day's worries and alarms has followed me here; I sit at my desk "untouched," immersed in my studies as if nothing were happening in the world outside. Everything has simply fallen away from me, leaving no trace, and I feel more "receptive" than ever before.

Next week no doubt it will be the turn of the Dutch Jews. With each minute that passes I shed more wishes and desires and attachments. There are moments when I can see right through life and the human heart, when I understand more and more and become calmer and calmer and am filled with a faith in God which has grown so quickly inside me that it frightened me at first but has now become inseparable from me.

And now to work.

THURSDAY MORNING, 9.30. Such words as God and Death and Suffering and Eternity are best forgotten. We have to become as simple and as wordless as the growing corn or the falling rain. We must just be.

Have I really made so much progress that I can say with complete honesty: I hope they will send me to a labor camp so that I can do something for the 16-year-old girls who will also be going? And to reassure the distracted parents who are kept behind, saying, "Don't worry, I'll look after your children?"

When I tell others: fleeing or hiding is pointless, there is no escape, so let's just do what we can for others, it sounds too much like defeatism, like something I don't mean at all.

SATURDAY, 14 JUNE, 7 P.M. More arrests, more terror, concentration camps, the arbitrary dragging off of fathers, sisters, brothers. We seek the meaning of life, wondering whether any meaning can be left. But that is something each one of us must settle with himself and with God. And perhaps life has its own meaning, even if it takes a lifetime to find it.

I for one have ceased to cling to life and to things; I have the feeling that everything is accidental, that one must break one's inner bonds with people and stand aside for all else. Everything seems so menacing and ominous, and always that feeling of total impotence.

SATURDAY, NOON. We are but hollow vessels, washed through by history.

Everything is chance, or nothing is chance. If I believed the first, I would be unable to live on, but I am not yet fully convinced of the second.

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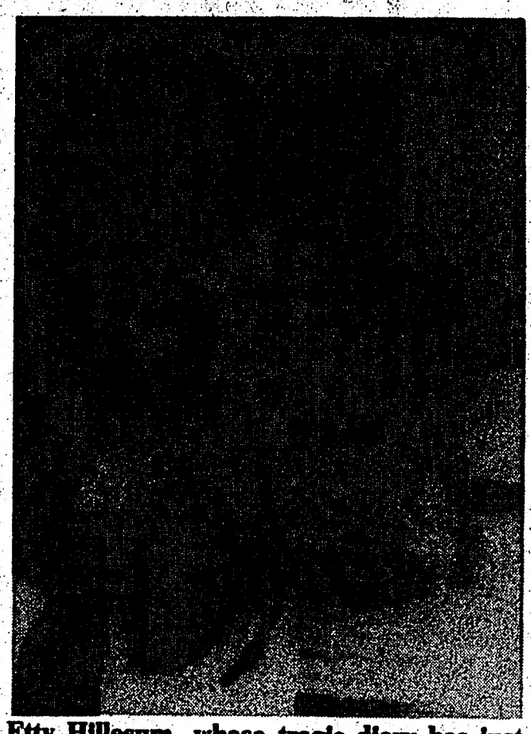
3 July, 1943, WESTERBORK CONCENTRATION CAMP —

Here I am on the third tier of this bunk hurrying to unleash a veritable riot of writing, for in a few days' time it'll be the end of the line for my scribblings. I'll have become a "camp inmate," allowed to write just one letter a fortnight and unsealed at that. And there are still a couple of little things I must



Etty Hillesum, whose tragic diary has just been published in Canada.

talk to you about. Did I really send a letter that made it look as if all my courage had gone? I can hardly believe it.

There are moments, it's true, when I feel things can't go on. But they do go on, you gradually learn that as well, though the landscape round you may appear different: there is a lowering black sky overhead and a great shift in your outlook on life and your heart feels grey and a thousand years old. But it is not always like that.

A human being is a remarkable thing. The misery here is really indescribable. People live in those big huts like so many rats in a sewer. There are many dying children. But there are many healthy ones, too.

One night last week a transport of prisoners passed through here. Thin, waxen faces. I have never seen so much exhaustion and fatigue as I did that night. They were being "processed": registration, more registration, frisking by half-grown . . . men, quarantine, a foretaste of martyrdom lasting hours and hours.

Early in the morning they were crammed into empty goods wagons. Then another long wait while the train was boarded up. And then three days' travel eastwards. Paper 'mattresses' on the floor for the sick. For the rest bare boards with a bucket in the middle and roughly seventy people to a sealed wagon. A haversack each was all they were allowed to take.

How many, I wondered, would reach their destination alive?

CJN sets record straight on Red Cross

By
PATRICIA RUCKER

CJN readers are intelligent and articulate — sometimes very articulate.

We are delighted by reader response to our news stories and articles, but we become concerned when that response includes sweeping allegations against persons or organizations which cannot be substantiated.

The Canadian Jewish News is legally responsible for everything we print — and that includes letters to the editor. Libel laws are strict, so if we feel there is anything questionable in a letter, we don't use it.

A recent letter from reader Sheila Diamond, of Toronto, concerning charges by the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) that Israel had not fully complied with the terms of the November prisoner-of-war exchange, made several allegations against the Red Cross, specifically:

- "The ICRC does not recognize the Red Magen David and provides no aid in times of war or disaster;"
- "They do not pay attention to Israeli prisoners held in Arab lands."

The Red Cross is certainly a respected organization, but its policy with regard to the Magen David Adom is a long-simmering issue with Jews in Israel and the Diaspora — just the sort of issue that can lead to the repetition of unfounded charges. So, in the interest of setting the record straight, The CJN checked out Diamond's allegations with: Paul Miki of the international affairs department of the Canadian Red Cross Society; Yitzhak Shelef, minister counselor of the Israel embassy in Ottawa; and the consulate-general of Israel in Toronto.

They responded as follows:

The Red Cross does visit Israeli prisoners in Arab hands.

Both Shelef and Miki confirmed that Israeli POWs have had and continue to have visits from representatives of the Red Cross. The most recent confirmed visits, to two prisoners held by a faction of the PLO and three prisoners in Syrian hands, took place between Nov. 26 and Dec. 1. The Red Cross gives reports only to the governments involved, but Shelef described the prisoners' condition as "satisfactory."

The International Red Cross does not recognize the symbol of the Magen David Adom.

Shelef said the position stated by the IRC to the government of Israel is that it could not continue to recognize any more international symbols. (The IRC recognizes the red crescent used by Islamic countries and the red lion of Iran.)

In response to Miki, who noted that Israel chose not to raise the issue at an IRC meeting in Geneva in 1977, Shelef said: "We realized that we would not have achieved our object . . . The issue has been shelved."

However, both Shelef and Miki agreed that the two organizations cooperate on a practical level — for example, in negotiating the prisoner exchange.

The CJN received a translation of the response by a spokesman for the Israel Defence Force to the Red Cross charges that Israel had not released all prisoners named in the exchange.

The press release referred specifically by name to the case of Zayad Abu Ayan, whom both Israel and the ICRC agree is still being held by Israel.

The translation of the IDF statement, supplied by the consulate-general of Israel, states:

"In the framework of exchanging prisoners, which took place on the 23rd of November, 1983, Israel had released prisoners as was agreed upon in accordance with the working list of the International Red Cross and Israel. The name of Zayad Abu Ayan hadn't appeared on those lists, which were the basis of the whole operation. An announcement, in this spirit, was conveyed to the representative of the International Red Cross in Israel."

Christian missionaries get bad rap

By
CARL ALPERT

JERUSALEM —

We have been asked if there is any truth to the assertion that Christian missionary activity in Israel is becoming a serious threat, a claim which is causing near panic among some North American Jews.

It is true that there is missionary work in Israel. Proselytizing among the Jews is nothing new. British evangelical societies have operated among the Jews of Palestine for more than 150 years. The work of the missionary groups in the United States and other countries is well known. We are on the mailing list of several of them.

We do not see indications of any unusual increase in this ongoing missionary activity in Israel. What has increased is the anti-missionary publicity. New organizations and PR activity of certain individuals give the impression that there has been a sudden spurt in proselytizing. The spurt has been in the counter-missionary work, leading to the impression that terrible things have been happening.

The various missionary groups here carry on their activity against very great odds. The occasional and rare conversions to Christianity are exaggerated so that the impression is given of a great wave of receptiveness among the Jews. That encourages the financial sources back in the U.S. to send more money, to save more souls. We wonder to what extent the alarmist exaggerations of the anti-missionaries have the same purpose?

Has anyone thought of pointing out that, on the other hand, the number of Christians who convert to Judaism in Israel runs to several hundreds each year? This would be only natural, since the environment here is Jewish, and there are sound cultural, intellectual and social reasons for such change of faith.

It can not be denied that there will always be people who may decide to abandon Judaism, whether out of conviction, or because they are weak-minded, gullible or crackpots seeking easy solutions, religious or other, to some of their own psychological problems.

To cite these as indication of a great and menacing wave of missionary activity is to render a terrible disservice in that it also condemns every warm-hearted Christian who may express an honest "love" for the Jewish people. For many that is part of their religion, and we would be guilty of the worst kind of prejudice if we were to bar them from Israel, as some zealots request. Our own extremists feel that the most effective way to combat proselytizing is to prevent any contact between Jews and Christians.

Missionary activity is not illegal in Israel. This is a democratic country and Christians are free to propagandize for their faith just as Jews are free [with much greater success] to propagandize for their faith. What is illegal is to offer money or other tangible inducement to change one's religion.

Some of the Christian evangelical groups operate small hotels or hostels to which they bring ever increasing numbers of Christian pilgrims. This is their Holy Land, too, and Israel has been trying to encourage this kind of tourism. Such hotels create a religious atmosphere for their guests, both in decorative symbolism and in public prayer services.

Panic-stricken foes of the missionaries have demanded that Jews be banned from entering such places. How ironic it would be if, in the State of Israel, a law compelled these hotels to put up signs reading: "No Jews allowed!"

Much more serious in Israel is the trend toward cults among the youth. The young Jews who have fallen victims to these number in the hundreds. A few leave the country. Some crack up (one committed suicide not long ago); the remainder come to their senses after a while. North American Jews have a similar problem.

In summary: There is missionary work here; it is occasionally successful, but the only real upsurge is in the renewed public relations program of the Jewish religious groups which combat the missionaries. There are specific functions and tasks for anti-missionary activity, especially in promoting Jewish education. So long as the activists do not succumb to hysteria, their educational efforts merit support.

Opinion

Museum move marks change for better in Greece

By
JACQUELINE SWARTZ

ATHENS —

This year, the Jewish Museum of Athens, with the support of the Greek government, will move from its warehouse quarters in back of the Athens synagogue to its first home. The move will come as a relief to the museum's staff, weary after seven years of waiting for a home for the only remaining relics and archives of the ancient Jewish community that was almost completely destroyed by the Nazis.

But observers say it's in keeping with the current attitude of the Greek government.

"In the last year or so, things have changed dramatically for the better," noted Jean Cohen, an Athens advertising executive who was the only Jewish activist in PASOK (the ruling Greek party since 1981) when it was in opposition.

After Israel's invasion of Lebanon in 1982, Greece's newspapers and state-run radio and television launched into a strong anti-Israel campaign that climaxed when Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou appeared on television and compared the Israelis to Nazis.

There was only cursory mention of Israel's peace movement. Anti-Israel diatribes filled the media and spilled over into what some Greek Jews call their first experience of official anti-semitism.

"There was confusion between the meaning of the words Israeli and Jew," Joseph Lovinger, president of the Central Board of the Jewish Communities of Greece, told me this past October in his Athens office. Although anti-Jewish statements can be found in the Greek Orthodox liturgy, written attacks against Jews come mainly from fundamentalist religious groups operating outside the official church, or from the tiny, extreme right pro-junta party. But there is no tradition of popular anti-semitism in Greece.

During World War II, many Greeks hid Jews or helped them escape to the mountains, and the government declared a policy of protection. "There was never a problem living as a Jew in Greece," said Leon Pessah, a tourist shop owner.

Thus, in the summer of 1982, the Jews of Greece were unprepared for the virulent attacks on Israel, and for the ripple effect it had on the Jewish community. "Compared to Germany in 1933, it was nothing," explained Jean Cohen. "But compared to the way Greece had been, it seemed like a pogrom. At least that's the way some Jews here felt it."

Cohen, who prepared a file of anti-semitic articles and incidents, recalled that two bomb attacks were aimed at the Jewish community. One damaged a solar energy store; another, at a travel agency, was discovered and dismantled. Other incidents were more insulting than dangerous — a hairdresser refused to serve his Jewish client, for example.

But what was most alarming to the 6,000-member Jewish community were the slurs in the media. Many Jews remember the letter that was read on a radio talk show from a listener who wrote that the only way to retaliate against Israel was to boycott Jewish businesses.

In fact, the reverse occurred. "The government did not realize that its anti-Israel position would get out of hand," noted Cohen. "But it did, and when Jewish communities around the world were alerted, there were extensive boycotts of Greece — in shipping, shoes, tourism."

Although the Greek government is tight-lipped on the subject, the effects were noticed. "I myself felt the boycott," said Leon Pessah, whose shop is often visited by Jewish tourists.

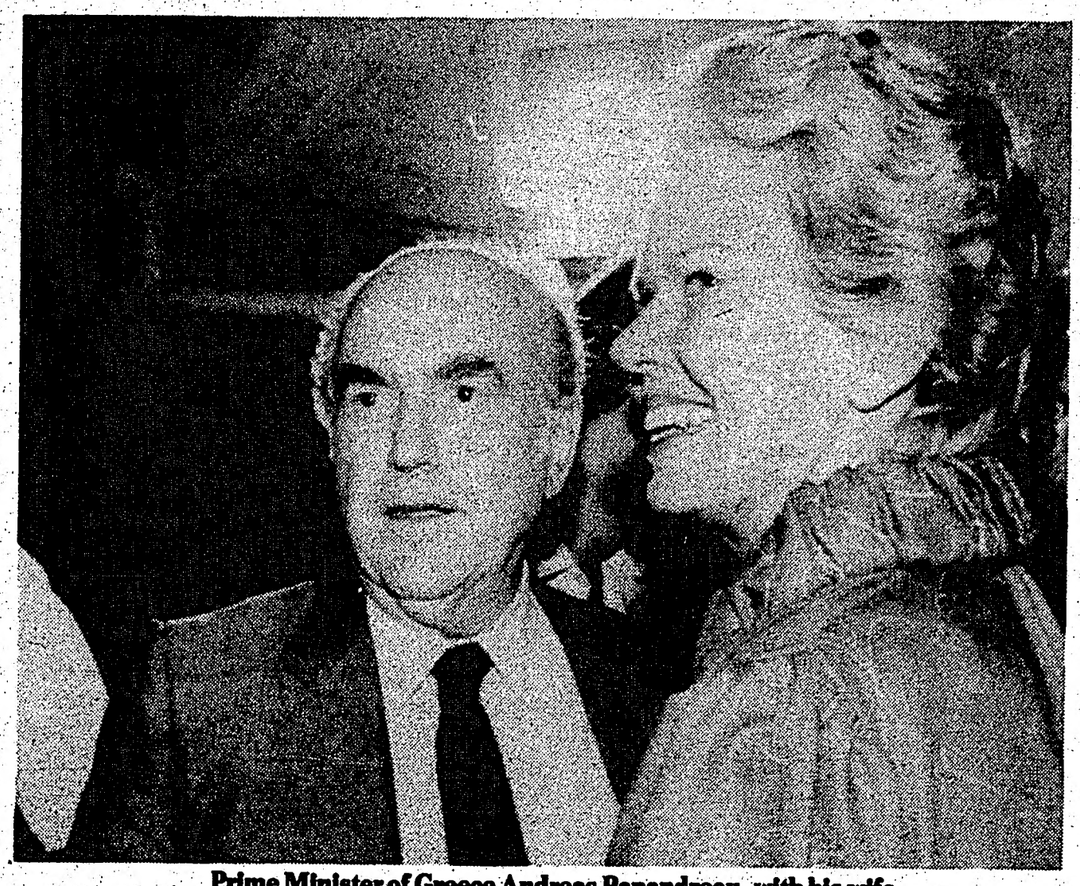
Furthermore, the Greek government's hope for Arab investments did not materialize. It was a hope on Greece's historical ties with Arab countries: thousands of Greeks still live in Egypt [there were once 300,000], Greek businessmen trade regularly with Arab countries, and 25% of all Greek exports go to the Middle East.

Karolos Papoulias, the present undersecretary of foreign affairs, who is responsible for Greece's Middle East policy, has told reporters that Greece's policy was based on the importance of Arab oil, Greece's position as a link to the Middle East, and the political importance of the Arabs on the international scene.

He has also emphasized his country's ideological commitment to self-determination. The widespread sympathy in Greece for the Palestinian cause stems partly from the Greeks' experience as victims of invasion and occupation, most recently in Cyprus.

When Greece saw no new Arab investments, it became obvious that its stand was yielding mainly talk of economic prospects. At the same time, alarmed leaders of the Greek Jewish community requested a meeting with the prime minister. Explained Joseph Lovinger: "I told the prime minister that the media campaign wasn't fair. It stopped . . . and I don't know what all the fuss is about. Papandreou told me he was against the Israeli government's policies, but for an Israel with defensible borders. Many Jews feel the same."

Lovinger also met with the prime minister's influential American born wife, Margaret. "I was concerned," she told me in an interview, "about the illogical equation of Jews with the policies of Israel's government. I wanted to know if there were anti-semitic acts in Greece, and whether the Jewish community felt threatened here."



Prime Minister of Greece Andreas Papandreou, with his wife.

According to Mrs. Papandreou, the media were alerted — easily done in a country where the media are so heavily influenced by the government.

Last spring, for instance, a series of television programs featured a well known singer who made a disparaging remark about the Jewish co-owner of a record company that refused to let the singer break his contract. The program scheduled for the following week was cancelled, and the record company executive offered equal time.

Still, by autumn of 1982, some damage had already been done, and Greece was tainted with anti-semitism. Along with the economic repercussions there was reason for the government's conscious change. "There is no place for anti-semitism in our vision of a democratic society," insisted a government official in Athens.

In August of 1982, the prime minister met with former Israeli ambassador to the United States, Ephraim Evron, who made a lightning visit to the official Greek residence. Evron later told The Jerusalem Post that the two countries may not become good friends, "but at least they won't call us Nazis anymore."

The following spring, Mrs. Papandreou went to New York to meet with leaders of Jewish women's groups. "It was tense at first," she recalled. "I had to explain that we have historical ties with the Arab world and that we believe the Palestinian people have a right to a homeland. But we also believe in Israel's right to exist."

Last August, the prime minister met with Joseph Lovinger, Ephraim Evron, Edgar Bronfman, head of the World Jewish Congress, and others on the island of Corfu. The brief mention of the meeting in the Greek press was enough to spark rumors of improved relations between Israel and Greece.

The previous month, David Kimche, director-general of the Israeli foreign ministry, had met with Greek foreign undersecretary Karolos Papoulias, leading to speculation that Israel would be given full diplomatic status in Greece. (Currently, it has diplomatic representation on the same level as the Palestinians.)

"Full diplomatic status for Israel is certainly a possibility," remarked Mrs. Papandreou. "But it would be difficult with the current Israeli government."

Whether or not meetings between Greek and Israeli officials will bear fruit, the Jews of Greece say that their traditional security has been restored. "The climate of fairness is now what it has always been," said Lovinger, noting that for the first time there was official government representation at Holocaust remembrance ceremonies.

Other observers point to a new treatment of the Middle East by government spokesmen and in pro-government newspapers. "Every official mention of Israel," explained Cohen, "carries with it the statement that Greece subscribes to the right of Israel to live within secure and defensible borders."

There have been newspaper articles criticizing Syria and other Arab countries, and calling for the recognition of Israel by the Palestinians, and this tone has been reflected in letters to the editor.

"All of a sudden," noted one observer, "the complexity of the Middle East situation has become more apparent to the average person."

Still absent from the Greek media, however, is news about Israel, particularly about widespread dissent. The demonstration that drew 400,000 people to a Tel Aviv square in September 1982 appeared only as a small news item on Greek television. At a meeting that included Israeli artists and writers on the island of Hydra in the summer of 1982, press coverage was limited to an interview with Israeli radical, Uri Avneri. Yet this could change in the near future.

In a recent article in the pro-government newspaper, Eleftherotypia, about the move towards the re-examination of Greek foreign policy, mention was made of visits to Israel by Greek officials, and of official visits to Greece by Israelis.

Last November, Mapam's international secretary, Avraham Rozenkier, met with officials of PASOK in Athens. And the following month, Prime Minister Papandreou met with a 5-member World Jewish Congress delegation of European Economic Community member states. Greece, he said, "desires the improvement of relations with Israel."

Solzhenitsyn subject of speculation

By
ARNOLD AGES

The recent publication in France of Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn's August/14 — a work dealing with the origins of the Bolshevik revolution, has produced a spate of articles in the French-Jewish press.

In the January issue of Information Juive, a national publication, two front page articles confront the question which has been bothering Solzhenitsyn-watchers over the years — is he anti-semitic?

Annie Kriegel, one time activist in the French Communist Party (but latterly a staunch pro-Zionist writer) and Wladimir Berelowitch, an academic researcher, address themselves directly to the question.

Both suggest that the questions about Solzhenitsyn's alleged anti-semitic views is an entirely legitimate one, given the fact that there are so many unflattering portraits of Jews in his works.

Kriegel points out that in his book on the Gulag Archipelago Solzhenitsyn seems to focus in disproportionately on the Jews who formed a part of the administrative cadres of the Soviet prison system.

Kriegel also observes, however, that in the early period of the Soviet revolution there was a large number of Jews in the state's hierarchy because they were needed, because of their skills, to run the bureaucracy.

Both Kriegel and Berelowitch state categorically that Solzhenitsyn is no anti-semite. Kriegel says that this view has been reinforced by the many Soviet Jews who have made their way to Israel and elsewhere.

The writers also suggest that while there is no scintilla of anti-semitism in his works, Solzhenitsyn's portraits of Jews both in the Gulag Archipelago and in August/14 are seriously marred by his understanding of their role in the revolutionary movements.

Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn

Kriegel and Berelowitch identify Solzhenitsyn's portrait of Bogrov, the terrorist-assassin of the czarist minister Stolipin, as the problematic area of the work.

Under Solzhenitsyn's pen, Bogrov becomes the quintessential radical ready to tear down the structures of the old regime. For the Nobel prize-winner, however, this Jewish terrorist acts on behalf of the general good "and the Jewish people." Kriegel and Berelowitch are uncomfortable with Solzhenitsyn's attempt to marry Bolshevik universalism and Jewish welfare in the destruction of the Russian monarchy.

Says Berelowitch: "Bogrov claims to be defending Jews and at the same time to be nourishing universal goals. This is a false image. The Russian revolutionaries, and especially the Bolsheviks, did indeed proclaim a universalist ideology in which it is also possible to see a perversion of Judaism. But in so doing they broke with the Jewish community and Jewish interests became alien to them.

"To claim to be realizing universal happiness and to be defending Jewish people is not the same thing and Solzhenitsyn is wrong in mixing up these two logics."

Berelowitch also notes that Bogrov's father is a rabbi who comes to visit his son in prison and who laments the prospect of pogroms as a result of his offspring's act. Solzhenitsyn unfortunately makes both father and son appear as partners in the mentality which produced the assault on the monarchy.

Perhaps Solzhenitsyn's most ungracious suggestion is that the pogroms, unleashed against the revolutionaries (among whom there were many Jews) were expressions of the righteous wrath of the simple Russian people. The connivance of the government and the police are ignored in Solzhenitsyn's version of the events.

Berelowitch concludes: "Let us say it again, these unfortunate sentences do not indicate any racial hatred (for Jews) but rather a Russian nationalism . . ."

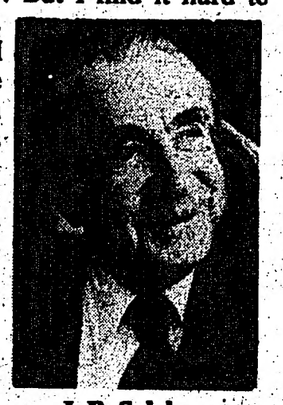
Opinion

Parties engage in reckless conflicts

A bizarre political game being played in Israel

By
J. B. SALSBERG

My uncle Eliezer thinks it is the cumulative effect of the unyielding, old-fashioned Canadian winter that is responsible for my gloomy vision of Jewish affairs at the present time. But I find it hard to accept his opinion.



J. B. Salsberg

On the contrary, I said to him, one would have to put on rose-colored glasses to perceive the current Jewish scene in any other way. For this, my friends, is what my realistic eyes behold.

In Israel, at the time of writing these lines, 70,000 Israeli municipal workers are on strike demanding a cost-of-living bonus to provide at least minimal protection against the ravages of a 200% inflation epidemic. Israel's national government employees — health, foreign affairs, post office etc. — have gone through similar strikes in past weeks.

The calamitous imbalance of Israel's export and import figures continue unabated to the detriment of Israel's currency and its untamed inflationary gallop. At such a critical hour, the coalition partners of the present government unashamedly threaten to remove their support — and thus effectively defeat it — unless their partisan programs are adequately provided for.

In the midst of delicate international negotiations extremist groups in the Knesset [coalition partners, of course] threaten a walkout unless the government will publicly reaffirm the policy of building new settlements on the West Bank, on the Golan, etc. Others threaten with similar action if the massive financial grants for their private, denominational schools will, in any way, be reduced.

And so the bizarre political game is being played, evidently to a script that calls for "everything for our side and the devil take the hindmost."

In such an atmosphere the Israeli government is desperately trying to save itself from the wrecking crews that are its partners. I pity Prime Minister Shamir, despite my disagreement with his basic political stand. It seems to me that the dissolution of the present Knesset and the calling of an immediate general election would be an act of human kindness and a politically inescapable duty. But, are we certain that an immediate election would resolve at least the major aspects of the general crisis that keeps Israel in its grip?

Unfortunately, even such a scenario may not lead to a new, more stable political plateau.

Why? Because every political party in Israel — barring none — is presently engaged in reckless, fratricidal, factional conflicts.

Can the parties resolve their internal differences before an election? Will either of the two major political parties win a majority, so as to govern without dependency on a plethora of special-interest coalition partners?

Who is so wise as to predict the outcome of a general election in Israel?

This gloomy scene is not made any brighter by the mysterious and, in a personal sense, tragic disappearance of the former Prime Minister, Menachem Begin. He it was who was presented by his followers as the new strong man at the helm of Israel's ship of state. There is something eerie about his unexpected exit and his complete silence. Politics aside, the manner of Begin's departure from the political stage adds, in my view, to the disturbing overall situation.

Eager to find solace for my drooping spirit I turned my eyes to the Diaspora sector of world Jewry. But, alas, I also found little of cheer in that area.

The highly respected and popular new President of Israel, Chaim Herzog, visited the U.S. in November and a partial text of his address to the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations came to my attention only now. In that address to the leaders of the world's largest Jewish community the President focused on some bitter truths which we are inclined to bypass. (If not bitter, then those undeniable truths are most disturbing — to say the least.) Here are some of Herzog's reminders:

Eighty percent of the Jews who left the Soviet Union in recent years did not come to Israel . . . but Israel is absorbing one-fifth of the Falasha population of Ethiopia . . . there are months in the year when more immigrants come (to Israel) from Ethiopia than from the United States . . . 85% of U.S. Jews have never visited Israel, not even as tourists . . . world Jewry's contribution to Israel, exclusive of Israel Bonds, comes to only 1.6% of Israel's national budget.

Enough, I would think, to oblige one to address many poignant questions to oneself, to one's fellow Jews, to all levels of our leadership and to the Jewish community at large.

At this stage of my writing, my good uncle Eliezer, who now stands and looks over my shoulder, suggests that I put an end to my lamentations and take another, a more sober and more balanced overview of the Jewish scene.

"You know, J. B.," he said to me in a fatherly tone, "I do think that this long and unusually cold winter has unduly darkened your view of things."

"But I'm the eternal optimist," I protested, "and you know it. Even now," I added, "I'm not pessimistic but only realistic. I think that we must face the facts even if they are unpleasant."

But my good uncle obviously had more in mind than to cheer me up. He knows of my hesitancy to join the snowbirds who fly south with the first sign of winter. He knows that I went to Florida only twice in all my winters . . . and that under duress. So he gently suggested that I humor him for a couple of weeks. And, he suggested gently, it may even change your outlook on the Jewish world scene.

At this point he gently put his hand on my shoulders and pleadingly said: "Come . . . join me for a couple of weeks."

I weakened, my dear readers, and agreed to make the trip. Hope that none of you will think it as a sign of weakness on my part. I'm still opposed in principle, mind you, but will it really be terrible if I depart from that principle for once?

I'm pleased by your sympathetic understanding. In return I promise to share all my experiences and mew outlooks with you, as I always do.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English, no more than 250 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters.

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OPPOSED TO MIXED MARRIAGE

I'm writing in answer to Susan Judith Bartenstein's Jan. 19 letter headed "Mixed marriage a heartbreaker."

It should be some solace to Bartenstein that not all Jewish boys marry Gentile girls, nor are they homosxuals. It is utterly ridiculous to state that all we Jewish boys are only interested in 1-night stands. I suggest she go out with more Jewish boys before she brands us all with the same stamp.

I agree with Bartenstein, however, that the trend toward intermarriage is very disturbing. But it does not only affect Jewish girls around the world; it affects all Jews. In today's society, it is hard enough for two people of the same religion to succeed in maintaining a marriage without the added complications brought on by intermarriage.

Memories of the Holocaust should remind Jews all over the world that no matter what, a Jew remains a Jew; and also what can happen if we become weak and lower our guard for one moment.

Norman Pinkas
Ottawa

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NO NICE JEWISH MEN?

As the writer of the Jan. 19 letter complaining about the lack of nice Jewish men who don't have 1-night stands on their mind, I thought you'd like to know I got several positive responses from the male community.

Unfortunately, I also got a call from a man called Jerry who kept on saying: "Jewish women have no character." I don't believe this guy is Jewish. The way he kept rambling on about Jewish women, he sounded disgustingly immature. He seemed to need professional help and I'm no psychiatrist.

It still looks to me as if theren't any nice decent Jewish men around. That's what makes it frustrating for a decent Jewish woman like me.

Susan Judith Bartenstein
Toronto

Ethiopian girl was interviewed in the Pan-Canadian film documentary, Falasha: Exile of the Black Jews.

WANTS DATA ON BLACK JEWS

I am a York University senior student enrolled in an anthropology course. My field of study this term is the Falasha tribe (the Black Jews) of Ethiopia. If there is anyone who has first-hand knowledge of them and wouldn't mind speaking with me about it, I would be very grateful if they phoned me at (416) 633-7349.

Esther Nitkin
Toronto

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TRUDEAU 1984 CHAMBERLAIN?

"Peace in our time . . . Peace with honor." Remember?

Is Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, with his peace plan that truckles to the Soviet Union, about to bow out of office billed as the Neville Chamberlain of our time?

Remember, Chamberlain was fooled by Hitler who hollered "Peace! Peace!" while he was brazenly preparing for war. What Hitler did in the 1930s the Soviets are doing today.

We must stand vigilant that history does not repeat itself.

George Barrett
Toronto

"SADDENED, OUTRAGED"

I wish to thank Rabbi Gunther Plaut for his excellent Jan. 19 column on my involvement with Amnesty International ("Human rights group gets pat on back").

I am saddened to say, however, it did not strike a chord in the hearts and minds of our people. The response was pitiful. We received **two** calls!

I pray that no Torontonian will ever be exposed to such a precarious, dangerous and terrifying experience as described in the article. Who will be their spokesman, keeper and protector? This complacency and apathy is very disturbing indeed.

I am saddened, disgusted and outraged at this heartless path that many have chosen to travel.

Those interested in helping Jewish prisoners, particularly in Uruguay, I urge to please call me at (416) 481-8472.

Janet R. Fine
Toronto

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PRAISES "REBEL RABBI"

I was glad to read Sheldon Kirshner's recent valid report on the unjust war against Britain's Rabbi L. Jacobs, the so-called "rebel rabbi." **[CJN Dec. 1]**

It is a disgrace that, for the last 22 years a group of Jews are harassing another Jew for no other reason than jelousy (since he was the Chief Rabbi in his early 40s).

Few and far between are such brilliant scholars.

In March, it will be 25 years since Rabbi Jacobs married us in London. Regardless of what the Beth Din considers legal, we are very proud and honored at having been blessed by him.

Vera Gara
Ottawa

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DEBRA NOT NAOMI FIRST

I am writing to you in regard to your Jan. 26 article about the election of Naomi Jacobs as "the first woman to hold the position" of Canadian national chairman of the North American Jewish Students' Network.

A correction is in order, since Debra Anthony was the first woman to hold that position. Debra was elected Canadian national chairman at the December, 1979 convention in Washington, and an article regarding her election appeared in a January issue of The CJN.

Karen G. Anthony
Toronto

YIDDISH OR GERMISH?

Judith Cohen of Toronto properly reproves your music critic, Rick Kardonne, for calling Judaeo-Spanish **Ladino**, when Ladino is only the liturgical expression of Judaeo-Spanish. (CJN Jan. 5 letter, "Music Critic criticized").

Yet, what is quite improperly still called "Yiddish," when its scholarly and reasonable name is really **Judaeo-German**, continues to be ignored by the editors of The CJN. Excepting the obvious (Hebrew script and an addition of perhaps 10% of Hebrew vocabulary, as well as a few words of Russian or Polish origin) "Yiddish" is Middle High German.

Klaus J. Herrmann
Montreal

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BERGS, STEINS AND ITSKYS

It was certainly nothing new for Sephardim to read the contemptuous dismissal of our existence in Dr. Leo Davids' Jan. 26 article on the decline of Yiddish ("Yiddish becomes endangered species").

"We shall conveniently ignore the fact that Yiddish was never the ancestral tongue for thousands of Canadian Sephardim," he wrote. To add insult to injury, the sentence was in parentheses, suggesting that it wasn't really necessary to read the sentence at all.

In fact, if we were to eliminate certain words in that sentence, we would have the Canadian Sephardi situation in a nutshell: "We shall conveniently ignore . . . Canadian Sephardim."

It is shameful that Canadian Sephardim have to defend themselves against the Ashkenazi insult: "What? You don't speak Jewish? Well, you can't be a Jew."

It is shameful that Ashkenazi Jews are not aware that it is possible to have a Jewish name that does not end in -berg or -stein or -itsky or -off.

I remember going to a public meeting at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel a year ago or so, at which a videotape of Menachem Begin making a speech was shown. One of the speakers peppered his talk with Yiddish phrases. So what if Sephardim in the audience might take offense? Tough luck.

It's time the Ashkenazi community woke up.

David E. Pinto
Montreal

World-National

No cure for Alzheimer's

Quebec hospital looks for clues to brain disease

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — At the Douglas Hospital in Verdun, some 50 healthy people between the ages of 50 and 75 are volunteering for a study of exactly why it is they enjoy physical and mental wellbeing. Their physical and psychological test results and reactions to certain hormones may, by the end of the study in 1985, offer scientists some new clue to the causes of Alzheimer's disease.

In Benin City, Nigeria, and Catania, Italy, the same study is being carried out. Montreal and these other two cities have been selected by the World Health Organization of the United Nations for a study on neuroendocrinology and behavior in aging.

The healthy volunteers are being compared to a group of Alzheimer's disease sufferers who, in the Douglas' case, are current out-patients of the hospital.

Coordinator of the Montreal study is Dorothy Bloch, a social worker, who was director of volunteer services at Maimonides Hospital and Home for the Aged and a consultant and crisis worker among the Jewish Family Services' elderly clientele.

Bloch is responsible for recruiting, interviewing and selecting suitable candidates for the study, coordinating the medical, psychological and laboratory procedures they are involved in, and maintaining personal contact with them for the duration of the project.

The job (she spends 2½ days a week at the Douglas) is an encouraging one for Bloch who has spent most of her professional career working with sick or troubled older persons. She had little trouble in finding the right people; most came forward after her frequent speaking engagements to various senior citizens and other community groups.

"These people are a real joy to work with," says Bloch, who is 57 herself. "They are vital, alert, energetic, stimulating and dynamic."

After a complete medical examination and an initial battery of tests, the volunteers are followed up at 6-month intervals. Twenty of the male participants are being administered the growth hormone apomorphine.

This study will contribute to a growing body of evidence that intellectual impairment is not "just part of growing old," but caused by an actual disease of the brain that, if better understood, may one day be treatable.

Terms like "senile dementia," which imply that losing one's faculties is inevitable with time, are already being dropped by professionals, said Bloch. In fact, only one in 10 persons over 60 suffers from confused states, of which 70% is probably Alzheimer's, she said.

Bloch considers herself a late-bloomer. After raising two children, she went back to school at 49, first to McGill to study social work and then to Goddard College in Vermont for an MA majoring in aging and counseling. She also was director of the social service department at the Montreal Extended Care Centre.

Bloch is an active member of the board and executive of the Alzheimer Society of Canada and chairman of its Family and Caregiver Support Committee.

The purpose of the Society, which was founded in 1978, is to promote public education and to advance research into the cause, control and cure of Alzheimer's disease.

Bloch, with Charles Poole of Toronto, has completed Alzheimer's Disease: A Family Information Manual which

Dorothy Bloch

will be published by Health and Welfare Canada in cooperation with the Alzheimer Society. It has been put together in collaboration with health professionals and family caregivers for use by the public, especially for those coping with a relative afflicted with Alzheimer's.

Copies of the manual are expected to be ready by March from the Alzheimer's Society for a nominal mailing charge of $1.25.

The disease was first described by German neurologist Alois Alzheimer in 1906, but little has been known about it until recent years despite the fact that 100,000 - 300,000 Canadians are believed to be affected by Alzheimer's to a varying degree, according to the manual. One in five are under 60 years of age. Figures are imprecise because many persons never receive a proper diagnosis.

It is estimated that at least 10,000 deaths in Canada are attributable to the disease.

After cancer, heart disease and stroke, it is thought that Alzheimer's is the fourth or fifth leading cause of death in Canada, although it is difficult to determine because death certificates usually record only the illness immediately preceding death, such as pneumonia.

An Alzheimer's diseased brain under microscope looks like it is covered in a tangle of fibres; nerve cell endings also degenerate and interfere with the passage of electrochemical signals between the cells.

There is no known prevention or cure for Alzheimer's, which grows worse over a period of years, the length of time varies with the individual. It occurs in 2 to 3% of the population over 60, and in over 20% of those over 80, although people as young as 40 have been diagnosed.

Starting with mild forgetfulness, the symptoms of the disease usually progress to worsened memory loss, confusion, irritability, restlessness, and agitation.

There are changes in personality, mood and behavior; judgment, concentration, orientation and speech may also be affected.

Eventually, the victim becomes totally incapable of caring for him on herself. In a few cases, there may be rapid decline but more commonly, many months — even years — may pass with little change.

In its early stages, the disease is very difficult to detect, and signs may be confused with depression, fatigue or other reversible mental impairments. Anyone suspected of having Alzheimer's should have thorough physical, neurological and psychiatric evaluations.

Some common misconceptions about the disease are that the person does not suffer because he is not aware anything is wrong (they do, which cause great frustration, fear and anger); it is contagious (there's no evidence of that); it is the result of excessive strain or emotional stress; and it is due to laziness in not using one's brain.

In the final stages of the disease, 24-hour nursing is usually necessary. If the disease itself is little known, the problems of those who must take care of those afflicted before they can or should be placed in an institution are largely ignored, said Bloch.

"Caring effectively for an increasingly dependent person, whose pride, however, can still be easily injured, is a tremendous challenge. The frustration of trying to help someone who at times seems bent on defeating every effort can drive the caregiver up the wall," said Bloch.

This 55-page manual offers caregivers, as well as professionals in the health care and social service fields, practical advice on coping with someone with Alzheimer's. It deals with the stages of deterioration, impact on the family, outside sources of help, drugs, legal aspects and even has a chapter on sex and Alzheimer's.

The Alzheimer Society of Montreal is presently conducting self-help support groups for families at the Institute of Community and Family Psychiatry of the Jewish General Hospital. They meet Wednesday evenings at 7.30. Anyone interested may either simply show up at that time, or phone the society office, 840-0498.

Bloch is active in promoting care support systems that will keep ill persons in their homes for as long as possible and relieve some of the burden on relatives responsible for their care. She has been training professionals interested in starting family support groups, and speaks frequently in the community on Alzheimer's disease.

In the Montreal Jewish community, which has almost twice as many persons over 65 proporally as the general Quebec population, Bloch firmly believes there is a need for a "crisis centre" that the families of the elderly can phone at any time. More attention should be paid to the need for respite and counseling for caregivers, she said.

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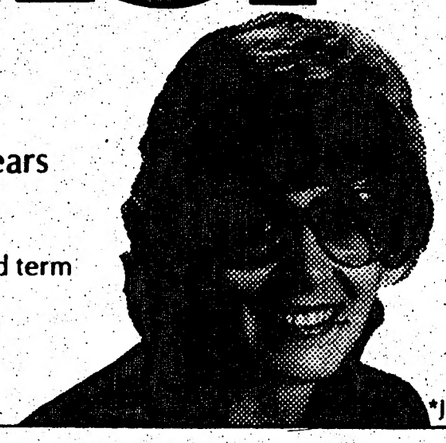

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Reagan's help sought

Vatican asked to probe charge of helping Nazis

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Harold Jacobs, president of the National Council of Young Israel, wrote to Reagan asking him to use the newly established diplomatic ties between the U.S. and the Vatican to urge the Pope "to release all information on post-war Catholic church activities to shield Nazi war criminals and aid their attempts to escape prosecution by Allied authorities."

These representations by Jewish organizations were partly in response to the attempts by Vatican sources to discredit a 1947 report documenting the Vatican role in aiding the escape of Nazi war criminals from Europe after World War II. That report was written by Vincent La Vista, an international lawyer and officer in the U.S. foreign service who was attached to the U.S. embassy in Rome at the time.

The La Vista report was classified secret by the state department until released a year ago under the Freedom of Information Act.

Last week, two Jesuit academics, Father Robert Graham and Rev. Pierre Bletto, questioned the veracity of the La Vista report which they branded a propaganda maneuver aimed at harming the church. Their allegations were publicly supported by Rev. Romeo Panciroli, the chief Vatican press spokesman.

According to Panciroli, Graham and Bletto are experts in the field and their statements were a "sufficiently clear reply" to the charges.

Graham, who is in the U.S., told the Italian news agency Ansa in a telephone interview that the La Vista report was "artificial and false, unworthy of attention."

Bletto, interviewed by the Italian daily Corriere Della Sera, also contended that the report was based on unreliable source material, and recalled pointedly the falsified "Hitler Diaries" that surfaced last year and initially fooled the experts.

But Berman, in his statement, said: "The reported cooperation by the Holy See with the effort of Nazi war criminals to escape justice after World War II deserves a fuller and more serious response than what the Vatican issued last week.

"Because of the serious charges in the La Vista report and the fact that it was prepared by a member of the U.S. foreign service stationed on the spot in Rome, we have proposed that an appropriate and independent investigation of the Vatican's own record of that period be undertaken to determine what role if any was played by members of the Catholic hierarchy in the illegal emigration of Nazis following World War II."

The Synagogue Council of America, in its telegram to Bishop Malone said it "is deeply concerned over the recent allegation that the hierarchy of the Catholic Church was involved in shielding Nazi war criminals from just retribution. In the interest of Catholic-Jewish relations we urge you to convey to the Vatican our request for a thorough investigation of these charges."

Mexican president to be honored

It's a first for Weizmann

MEXICO CITY —

The president of Mexico, Miguel de la Madrid Hurtado, will be guest of honor at a dinner on March 1 during the 4th International Weizmann Institute of Science Leadership Conference to be held here Feb. 29 to March 4.

The conference is expected to attract leaders and major supporters of the Weizmann from across Canada and 16 other overseas committees and societies.

The dinner will mark the first time the president of Mexico will have participated in a function under auspices of the Mexican Jewish community. It's also the first time a Weizmann conference of this type is to be held in Latin America.

President Madrid Hurtado will be accompanied at the dinner by his national cabinet, according to Leon Shidlow, chairman of the Mexican Weizmann Society and chairman of conference arrangements.

Science forums of interest to laymen will highlight the proceedings.

On March 1, Prof. Michael Sela, president of the Weizmann Institute of Science, Dr. Fritz H. Bach, director, Immunobiology Research Centre, University of Minnesota, and Dr. Adolfo Martinez Palomo, head of the department of cellular biology, Instituto Politecnico Nacional, Mexico, will conduct a panel on "The Role of Science in a Contemporary World."

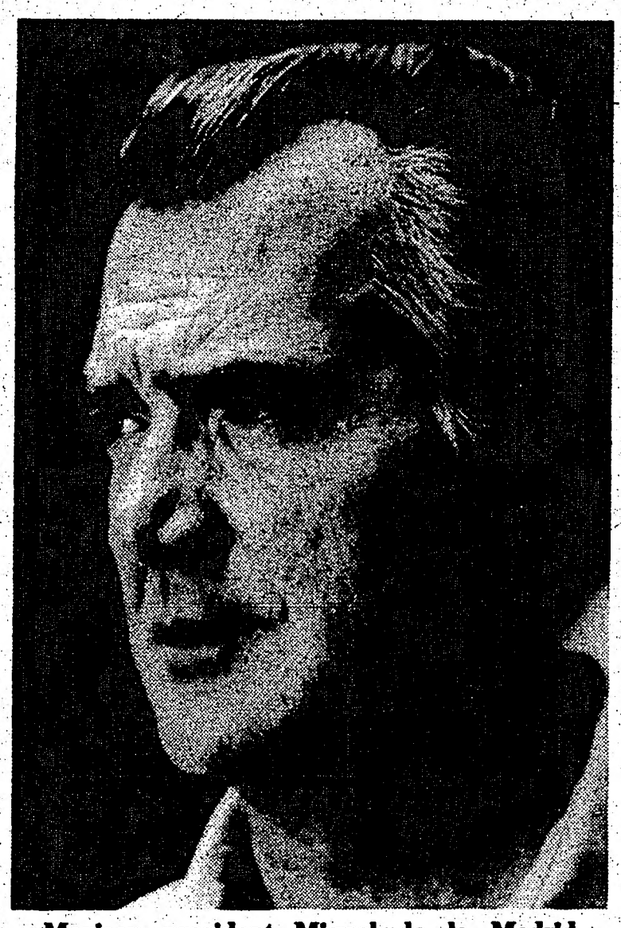
On the following day, Prof. Michael Feldman, dean, department of cell biology, Weizmann Institute, and Dr. Ruben Lisker, head of the department of genetics, National Institute of Nutrition, Salvador Zubiran, Mexico, will address the topic "The Human Body: Inheritance and Legacy."

"Aging and the Brain" is the subject of the March 3 discussion. It will feature Prof. David Samuel, director, Center for Neurosciences and Behavioral Research, Weizmann Institute, and Dr. Ruy Perez Tamayo, director, department of pathology, National Institute of Nutrition, Salvador Zubiran, and will be chaired by James F. Kay, president of the Canadian Society.

Local hospitality, tours of Jewish community institutions and Mexican sites of interest are included in the program.

Murray B. Koffler, board chairman of the Canadian Society and James Kay will lead the Canadian delegation.

Chairman of arrangements for the Canadian society is national board member Lloyd Singer.



Mexican president Miguel de la Madrid Hurtado.

A lot to laugh about at Congress of Humor

By PAUL LUNGEN

If you fancy yourself a budding Henny Youngman or a Joan Rivers, or if you're interested in the psychological and sociological implications of humor, then the Fourth International Congress on Humor may be for you. Or, maybe not.

The congress, scheduled to take place in Tel Aviv from June 10-15, features lecturers Art Buchwald and Ephraim Kishon. Buchwald will attempt to answer the question: Can humor survive a conference on humor; Kishon will pose the dilemma: Is there an original Israeli humor, and if yes, why not?

While the special speakers will inject their own brand of irreverence into the conference, congress goers can expect to participate in many forums where they can exchange opinions, theories and research papers on humor and its impact on daily life.

Professionals from various fields of study are expected to participate, and discussion topics include humor in education, black humor and humor in interpersonal relations.

The First International Colloquium on Jewish Humor will be held for the two days preceding the congress.

Starting June 7, the colloquium is intended to begin a tradition of study meetings on national humor. Ten main topics for discussion are proposed including Yiddish humor, laughter through tears, and Jewish writers and comedians in the US — influences of Jewish humor.

Registration for the conference is currently under way. For more information on the English-language congress, contact Gloria Pelchovitz of Diamond International Tours at [416] 921-1555.

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What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

BEN GURION REMEMBRANCE

The Canadian Zionist Federation is sponsoring a program of remembrance for **David Ben Gurion** on Sunday, Feb. 19, at 7.45 p.m. at Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue, 3600 Bathurst St.

The David Ben Gurion Memorial lecture, The Man and His Vision, will be given by **Gideon Saguy**, consul-general of Israel. Program will also include a film and other items of interest.

TRUTH AND CONSEQUENCES

Truth and Consequences: A Perspective on the Subject of Truth is the title of the workshop being held at Aish Hatorah on Sunday, Feb. 12, at 8 p.m. The workshop will feature a special video presentation, NBC in Lebanon.

Registration is limited to 55 persons, so call early and reserve a place. The number is 783-6195. The cost is $3.

SISTERHOOD ALL-DAY INSTITUTE

Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Sisterhood is holding an all-day institute at the synagogue on Tuesday, Feb. 14, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The theme, The Handicapped — Achievements and Goals will be presented by representatives of the handicapped community and the National Council of Jewish Women will feature the film Two Way Street.

Registration fee of $4 includes lunch. Babysitting is available by advance reservation. Call **Daryl Beber** at 222-5377. Guests are welcome.

P.S. [PARENT SHARING]

The Reena Foundation is presenting the fourth in a series of informative program for parents of mentally handicapped persons entitled P.S. (Parent Sharing). This program will explain wills and guardianship and will feature a discussion facilitated by **Anita Chalton**, who is a lawyer as well as law instructor at Centennial College.

The date is Monday, Feb. 16, at 7.45 p.m. at Reena Cartwright Resource Centre, 99 Cartwright Ave. There is no charge and everyone is welcome.

CABARET EVENING

A cabaret evening sponsored by Hamilton Women's ORT is arranged for Saturday, Feb. 11, at 8 p.m. at Adas Israel Synagogue, 125 Cline Ave. S., Hamilton. The musical part of the evening is under the direction of composer-pianist **Rick Kardonne** (The CJN music critic) and features Yiddish folksinger **Lea Ziegler-Fuchs** and dancer **Dahlia Nadav**. There will be refreshments and a cash bar.

Tickets are $10. Call 522-9048 in Hamilton or 335-1414 in Burlington. Proceeds will go towards a $5,000 ORT perpetual yearly scholarship.

SHABBAT FOR TODAY

On Friday evening, Feb. 10, at 8.30, the Temple Emanu-El Choir will present its splashiest version yet of the Shabbat liturgy. Titled Shabbat for Today, this service was set to driving rythms and modern harmonies by **Gershon Kingsley** and adapted for 4-part choir by **Amy Gilbert** who will conduct the performance. **Cantor Thomas Schwartz** and the choir will be assisted by **Jordan Kotck** (unofficially titled drummer in residence) and by **Michael Noar**, who will be switch-hitting from the bass section to his guitar for some improvisatory stylings.

ALJS DISCUSSION GROUP

The Association of the Living Jewish Spirit (ALJS) is holding a discussion group on Thursday, Feb. 9, at 8 p.m. at the Forest Hill Library Building, 666 Eglinton Ave. W. The topic is Is There a Difference Between the Jewish Way of Thinking and the Modern Way of Thinking? President of ALJS is **Rabbi Reuben Slonin** at 789-0101; secrerary-treasurer is **Felix Eckstein** at 926-1368. All are welcome.

CHILDREN'S CARNIVAL

Club Dayan of Pioneer Women's 9th annual indoor Children's Carnival 84 is all set for Sunday, Feb. 12, at Thornhill Community Centre, 7755 Bayview Ave. (at John St.). It's a fun fest with games, clowns, balloons, snack bar, boutiques, prizes and, for extra excitement, Polkaroo from the TV show Polka Dot Door and characters from Chuck E. Cheese Restaurant will be there.

Doors are open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets are 75 cents and adults must be accompanied by a child. Proceeds go to child care and education.

JEWISH COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

The Jewish Information Service is presently taking orders for the 1984 edition of the Jewish Community Directory of Greater Toronto. The directory contains listings and brief descriptions of schools, agencies, congregations, organizations, youth groups, landsmanshaften, seniors' clubs and cultural and recreational resources.

The price for a complete directory is $14.50, picked up. Individual sections (eg. synagogues) can be purchased by special request.

Call 635-5600 (voice or TTY) between 9.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m., or drop in at JIS, Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St., suite 345, Mondays through Friday (early closing Fridays) for details.

HAMILTON UJA BREAKFAST

Shira Herzog Bessin, associate national director of the Canada-Israel Committee, will be the guest speaker at a United Jewish Appeal breakfast on Sunday, Feb. 12, at 10.15 a.m. at Temple Anshe Sholom, 215 Cline Ave. N. in Hamilton. Her topic will be 1984: Prospects for Middle East Peace. Also on the program will be **Walter Hess**, executive vice-president, United Israel Appeal.

HUMAN RIGHTS IN ONTARIO

At the Sunday, Feb. 12, meeting of the Beth Sholom Brotherhood Tallis and Tefillin Breakfast Club, guest speaker **Canon Borden Purcell**, chairman of the Ontario Human Rights Commission, will discuss Human Rights in Ontario. Services are at 9.30 a.m., breakfast at 10, followed by the speaker.

Club chairman is **Alderman Ben Nobleman**. Co-chairman is **Morris King** and religious chairmen are **Sam Federman** and **Percy Dolgin**.

HEBREW U POLITICAL SCIENTIST

Raphael Israeli, Hebrew University of Jerusalem political scientist and currently visiting professor at York University, will be the guest speaker at the upcoming first general meeting of the Toronto Chapter of the Hebrew University Alumni of Canada. He will discuss modern Islam and its effect on the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Raphael Israeli

For further details, contact **Mark Buck** at the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University at 789-2633.

A SQUARE DANCE

Beth Torah Sisterhood is having a square dance with professional callers on Saturday, Feb. 18, at 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 47 Glenbrook Ave. Refreshments will be available and there will be prizes. Charge is $6 per person. Everyone is welcome.

FAMILY TOUR TO ISRAEL

Rabbi David Cooper of Adath Sholom Synagogue is leading a family tour for Israel's 36th anniversary. Come and celebrate Israel's twice-chai years of independence. Departure is May 1 for three weeks. Included will be 13 days of touring, dinner and breakfast daily, economy 4-star hotel accommodation and a direct New York-Tel Aviv return flight. Land and air arrangements are by Israem Travel in New York.

To receive an itinerary, call the Adath Sholom office at 635-0131.

FOR THE HARD OF HEARING

The Shabbat evening service at Holy Blossom Temple on Friday, Feb. 10, will be interpreted for deaf and hard of hearing persons. Service begins at 8.30 p.m.

VOLUNTEER TYPISTS NEEDED

Women's League for Conservative Judaism, Ontario Branch, needs volunteers to operate the large type typewriters. This machine is used to transpose information of Judaic interest for visually impaired persons. For further information, call **Linda Hoffer** at 881-5399 or **Norma Rubin** at 633-7192.

NOTES FROM WINNIPEG

The Mizrachi Emunah Women of Winnipeg is alive and well working for the cause. Here's a list of some of the activities —

A memorial tea was held on Jan. 29 at the home of **Leona Lasker** in memory of **Doris Wolch** who was president of Kfar Eztion Chapter for many years.

Sarah Herson Attid Chapter is having a general meeting on Monday, Feb. 13, at 8 p.m. at the home of **Rose Hendler**. Final arrangements for the Mishpocha Dinner will be discussed. Come and bring a new member.

The Mishpocha Dinner (informal family dinner) run by the Sarah Herson Attid Chapter on Sunday, Feb. 19, features **Rabbi Menachem Gopin**, national executive director of Mizrachi, as guest speaker. It will be held from 5-7 p.m. at Chavurat Tefila Synagogue. Admission is $5 for adults and $3 for children. If you wish to attend, call **Rose Hendler** at 589-2759 or **Miriam Diamond** at 339-6080.

CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW

The Keren Hatarbut Institute announces that registration is now open for courses in conversational Hebrew for the spring season at all levels for adults and teenagers. For consultation and registration, students are requested to call **Joseph Klinger** at 787-0197.

MALEVE MALKA

On Saturday, Feb. 18, at 8.15 p.m., the Beth Jacob V'Anshe Drildz Synagogue will hold its annual maleve malka in the Silverstein Auditorium at 147 Overbrook Pl. Guest speaker will be Solicitor-General **Robert Kaplan**. The noted Jewish folk guitarist **Boruch Menzelefsky** will provide musical entertainment.

Couvert is $25 per couple. For reservations, call **Gloria Cohen** at 636-0030, or **Rochelle Muller** at 638-3517, or **Susie Roitman** at 633-2830.

FOR WIDOWED MEN AND WOMEN

Jewish Singles Project Connect is reaching out to recently widowed men and women under 55 to form a support group to ease the grief and uncertainty for the future. There is a meeting on Monday, Feb. 13, at 8 p.m. There is no charge. For details, call 731-4600 mornings.

BIBLICAL CRITICISM

The winter series of adult education seminars at Shaarei Tefillah Congregation, conducted by **Rabbi Moshe Stern**, continues on Tuesday, Feb. 14, at 8 p.m. with the topic Biblical Criticism — Implications for the Traditional Jew. There is no charge and everyone is welcome. For further information, call the synagogue at 787-1631.

YOUTH TRIPS TO ISRAEL

The Israel Youth Program Centre is presenting a Thursday evening coffee house on Israel summer programs on Feb. 16, at 8 p.m. at the centre, 1000 Finch Ave. W., suite 117. Parents and teenagers 15 and older are welcome to attend and receive information on summer youth trips to Israel. Come and voice your concerns over a muffin and coffee. RSVP by calling **Stacey** at 665-7733.

CHAT FASHION SHOW

A fashion show with all proceeds going to Syrian Jewry is being staged by the student council of Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto (CHAT) on Sunday, Feb. 26. It will take place at 3 p.m. at Beth Tzedec Synagogue.

Sponsors ($25) will receive two tickets, donors ($50) will receive three tickets, and patrons ($18) one ticket, prepaid. Make out checks to CHAT Fashion Show, c/o 200 Wilmington Ave., Downsview, Ont., M3H 5J8.

Sponsors, donors and patrons will have reserved seating. Tickets will be available at the door for $7. For information, call **Pam** at 665-0532.

BETH TZEDEC YOUTH

On Saturday, Feb. 11, the Beth Tzedec Junior Congregation is holding a family service, under the direction of **Rabbi Lawrence Troster**, at 10 a.m. in the Youth Chapel. Theme of the service is L'Dor V'Dor, from generation to generation, and parents and grandparents will be honored. A special ceremony devoted to the theme will be included and **Evelyn Dorfman** will sing a Yiddish selection.

The youth department would like to start a Shabbat afternoon study group for children ages 10-13 under the leadership of **Jonathan Shiff**. The group would meet on a regular basis to study Jewish issues and Jewish subjects, followed by Mincha, Seudah Shlishit, Ma'ariv and Havdala. For more information, call the synagogue youth office at 787-0381.

On Sunday, Feb. 19, there is a get together to discuss the Teen Pilgrimage to Israel — Summer 1984 with program co-ordinator **Jacob Israeli**. Prospective participants (ages 15-18), parents and friends are invited. Non-members of Beth Tzedec are also welcome. The time is 11.30 a.m. . . . in the first floor lounge of the synagogue.

TREATMENT AT THE DEAD SEA

A panel discussion dealing with arthritis and psoriasis and the treatment and benefits at the Dead Sea is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 15, at 7.30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Yorkdale, 3450 Dufferin St. Panelists will include two patients who have been to the Dead Sea and a physician. Refreshments will be served.

Evening is sponsored by the Israel Government Tourist Office, El Al and All About Travel. For information, call **Merle** at 663-2100.

TALKING BOOKS

The Talking Books sub-committee of the Toronto Jewish Media Centre is producing audio cassette programs for visually handicapped persons. News programs, based on the Jewish Telegraphic Agency News Digest, are available at the Jewish Public Library, Baycrest Terrace, Council House and at the Media Centre in the Lipa Green Jewish Community Services Building. These programs are also available in large print at the same locations.

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BAYCREST PHASE TWO

Supporters of the new Baycrest Hospital campaign attended a recent breakfast to officially launch the second phase of the drive. Among the campaign leaders who turned out to hear special guest Metro Chairman Paul Godfrey [second from left] are, left to right, Eddie Goodman, campaign co-chairman; Syd Loftus, Top Gifts Division chairman, and Syd Cooper, Building Committee chairman.

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If there is a personal interest in these materials, or if you could volunteer to help produce the tapes, call 635-2883, ext. 151.

ISRAEL CONTEST AT USDS

Students of United Synagogue Day Schools celebrated Tu B'shevat with a second annual Israel contest. All grade 5 pupils, at both branches, participated in Phase I, then top scoring student went on to Phase II. Some grade 6 students voluntarily participated in both portions.

The winners of Phase I were **Dena Libman** and **Jason Tanny** (Bathurst branch) and **Alyssa Cohen** (Bayview branch). The Phase II winners were **Andrea Somers** (Bathurst) and **Brian Rothman** (Bayview).

Contest is sponsored by Jewish National Fund in Canada. Teachers were **Elaine Charney, Barbara Tweyman** and **Lola Bar-Lewaw.**

HILLEL STUDENTS, U OF T

Friday, Feb. 10, at noon, is the deadline for registration for Hillel's annual February retreat at Innisfree Faram Feb. 17-19. The theme for the weekend is Judaism: Sweet and Sour. Weekend also includes an outing to a provincial park for cross-country skiing. Cost is $40 for members and $45 for non-members.

For grad students only — If you are a graduate studies or in meds, law, education, social work or have completed a 3-year BA and are working full time, join in the Trivial Pursuit brunch on Sunday, Feb. 12. Charge is $1 for members and $2 for non-members. Call for reservations and location.

For Hillel activities, contact **Betty** at 923-9861.

PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN ISRAEL

APAI (Association of Parents of Children in Israel) is meeting on Sunday, Feb. 12, at 8 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue. Guest speaker **Prof. Ben Zion Shapiro**, school of social work, University of Toronto, will talk about How Soviet Jewry Looks at Israel and will recount his visit with Soviet dissidents in Russia last summer. Guests are welcome.

NCSY UPDATE

The National Conference of Synagogue Youth (NCSY) Free Jewish High School, with classes every Tuesday evening from 7.30-9.30 for students grades 9-13, continues on Feb. 14 with guest speaker **Saleh Mukamal** of the Canadian Jewish Congress who is national chairman of the Committee for Jews in Arab Lands. Refreshments will follow the program, which takes place at Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue (downstairs), 3600 Bathurst St.

If you would like to know more about NCSY social and educational events, drop by the NCSY office which is located at Shaarei Tefillah (lower level), or call **Richard Winkler** at 782-3117.

CRAFTS PEOPLE TAKE NOTE

Tables are being sold for any interested craft or sales people, gift shops, home stores for Boutique Day which is being set up by a group of crafts people on March 4 at the Lubavitch Community Centre, 770 Chabad Gate. Call 731-1276 afternoon or evening for information.

IFF MEETING

IFF (Infertility Facts and Feelings) meets on Wednesday, Feb. 15, at 7.30 p.m. at Bathurst Heights Library (Bathurst and Lawrence). Guest speaker **Dr. Gerald Bain** will discuss Male Infertility. For information, call **Jan** at 368-4927.

JUST LIKE MOM

Just Like Mom, a half-hour TV game show on Channel 9 in Toronto and other CTV affiliate stations across Canada, features teams of moms and kids (ages 5-11) trying to outguess, outcook, and generally outdo one another in the pursuit of contest points. The program welcomes audience members for the tapings of the program at CFTO on Feb. 14-18, Feb. 25-26, March 16-18 with two sessions per day from 1-4.30 p.m. and 5.45-9 p.m.

For information, call 299-2354.

singles

The **Jewish Community Centre Singles** [40 +] coffee house on Monday, Feb. 13, is a games night. Bring Rummy-Q, cards, scrabble or whatever you enjoy. Trivial Pursuits will be provided. The time is 8 p.m. in the Good Age Lounge of the JCC northern branch. There is a charge of $1 for coffee and cake. For information, call the JCC at 636-1880, ext. 332 or **Doris** at 636-1687.

Solelim (25-40) invites all singles in southern Ontario to take a chance and find someone at the Sweetheart Dance, Saturday, Feb. 11, at 8.30 p.m. at Temple Sinai, Social Hall, 210 Wilson Ave. (just east of Bathurst). A cash bar will be available. The fabulous light show will accompany disc jockey tunes. Door prizes and refreshments are included in admission price of $5. A percentage of proceeds will go to the Ontario Heart Foundation. Any questions about this or future programs contact **Mandell** at 783-2779 (from 7-10 p.m.).

Holy Blossom College Age Group (19-25) is holding a Heart-to-Heart Dance, Saturday, Feb. 11, from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the temple, 1950 Bathurst St. There will be a cash bar and disc jockey. Tickets are $5 at the door.

Are you looking for a sophisticated cocktail gathering? Join **Jewish Singles Project Connect** on Saturday, Feb. 18, at 9 p.m. at Sutton Place Stop 33. Admission is $15 (non-refundable). RSVPs are a must by Feb. 9. Call 731-4600 mornings. . . . Are you a separated or divorced male and finding it difficult to cope with your new status? Join the Men's Awareness Group. Call 731-4600 mornings for more information. . . . The Telephone Line is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-9 p.m. and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Get the latest information, referrals and singles activities. Ask about the One-to-One programs. The number is 731-4600.

Temple Sinai Mature Singles [40 +] Sweetheart Dance is set for Saturday, Feb. 11, at 8.30 p.m. at Temple Sinai, 210 Wilson Ave., Fanny Green Hall. There will be big band music — Latin American and swing — refreshments, prizes and a cash bar. Everyone is welcome. Admission is $5.

The **JCC Singles** [25-35] invites you to an afternoon of ballet on Sunday, Feb. 26, to see Swan Lake featuring **Sabina Allemann** and **Marco Pierin**. Meet at the O'Keefe Centre at 2.30 p.m. For information, contact **Ruth Goodman** at 636-1880, ext. 239 or **Murray** at 636-8433. Deadline is Feb. 20.

The **Jewish Union Book Club** is reviewing **George Orwell's** 1984 for its February selection. This discussion group is open to singles 25-45 and meets on a monthly basis. There is still some room for enrolment. For details, call **Jerry** at 787-4352.

The Singles Let's Mingles Group (24-40) wienerette party takes place at 8 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 12, at 435 Lawrence Ave. W. (just east of Bathurst). Admission is $3.75. Wienerettes (strictly kosher), cake, soft drinks and more are included. Partial proceeds will go to charity.

The **North-East Jewish Single Parents** general meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 15, features **Sondra Gold** of Sincerity Plus who will be speaking on Alternatives of Meeting Singles. The time is 8 p.m. at Hillcrest Public Library, 5801 Leslie St. (north of Finch). Admission is $2 for members and $3 for non-members. For information, call **Susan Levine** at the NE office at 889-0813.

for seniors

Club Chaverim, the North-East Jewish seniors club, meets on Mondays at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. The program on Feb. 13 at 1.30 p.m. is the film Sophie's Choice starring Oscar-winner **Meryl Streep**. Charge is 50 cents for members and 75 cents for non-members. Bring your friends. . . . The morning program from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. includes oil painting, beginner's bridge and English as a second language. For lunch you can bring your own (dairy) or enjoy the variety of cheeses, herring, egg and tuna salads, fresh fruit and vegetables available for $1 (all you can eat). . . . For information about all programs, call **Rose Shapiro** at 889-0813.

At the **Holy Blossom Temple Alumni** meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 15, **Mildred Temple** will talk about Interesting Developments at Union Villa. That's at 1.30 p.m.

The **Adath Sholom Jubilee Club** for singles and couples age 55 and over, invites the community to a general meeting on Thursday, Feb. 16, at 1.30 p.m. at the synagogue, 864 Sheppard Ave. W. Following a brief business agenda, the movie Annie will be shown on the synagogue's 80-inch video television screen. Refreshments will be served. Admission is $1 for Jubilee Club members and $1.50 for non-members. For more information, call or visit the synagogue office. The number is 635-0131.

The Canadian Cancer Society is presently organizing for the annual April appeal for funds. Volunteers are needed to assist with telephone and mail work as well as organizers and canvassers for the residential house to house campaign. Seniors are especially welcome, so if you are interested, call **Tillie Margolis**, campaign suprevisor, at 593-1513.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club's nutrition and cooking classes with **Esther Schwartz** continued on Monday, Feb. 13, at 1 p.m. . . . Ongoing programs include Exercise for Health with **Marilyn Tkatch** from 10.30-11.30 a.m. on Mondays and Thursdays; dance classes with **Al Gladstone** from 12.15-1.15 every Wednesday, and oil painting on Thursdays at 1 p.m. . . . The trip to Israel and London is really going strong. The dates are March 12-April 1. If interested call Merle at 499-4400 or the synagogue office at 789-3213.

The Tuesday, Feb. 14, program of the **Beth Tzedec Friendship Club + 50** features the film Victor/Victoria starring **Julie Andrews, Robert Preston** and **James Garner**. The time is 1.15 p.m. Refreshments and coffee will be served and everyone is welcome. Charge for non-members is $1.50.

The **Cranbrooke Friendship Club** invites you to a luncheon and entertainment every second Tuesday at 1 p.m. at Morris Winchevsky Centre, 585 Cranbrooke Ave. Guest speaker on Feb. 14 will be **Art Squlers** of Baycrest Hospital who will speak on all aspects of hearing. The charge is $1.25. New members are always welcome. Call **Eva Brownstone** at 787-3606 for further information.

At the **Wagman Centre** — Come and join the newly-formed Israeli Club for Israelis 55

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Navel training aids shaky business

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

There are two things a bonafide belly dancer absolutely must be.

She must be curvily zoftig.

She must seem slightly naughty.

And, according to Judith Susanne Bricks, it also helps if she's a nice Jewish housewife in suburban Willowdale who enjoys fantasizing with every seductive wiggle that she's secretly a reincarnation of that biblical temptress, Jezebel.

Judith Susanne Bricks, who performs under her Hebrew name of Tova, fills all of these qualifications beautifully.

For a fee of $75 to $100, depending on the size of your Jewish organization and its budget, she'll be glad to demonstrate her artistry at your Valentine's Days party. She's available for professional engagements at [416] 221-8521.

"I like to think that what I do is an art form," she said in an interview last week. "There's no doubt about it, though, when I tell people I'm a belly dancer, they somehow think it's sinful.

"It's the word 'belly' that creates that false impression. Some people think of slave girls shimmying their rolls of fat for a sultan in a harem. And other people ignore the fact that I may drop my veil, but never peel off a single garment. They insist on thinking of me as a burlesque stripper!"

Hardly looking like a burlesque queen, Bricks was dandling her 4-year-old daughter, Debbie, on her knee as she talked.

At 35, she's a pleasantly curvaceous, raven-haired beauty, who exercises daily to keep her 5-foot-6, 130-pound figure trim. A former speech and drama teacher at Winona Drive senior public school, she and her husband, Harold, head of the chemistry and biology department at Lawrence Park Collegiate, are both members of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue.

And both are active in the Jewish community. He is vice-president of the B'nai B'rith Don Mills Lodge who is busily organizing its April Monte Carlo at Thornhill Community Centre. She is a member of the National Council of Jewish Women and teaches English as a second language to its seniors.

And her belly dancing act is popular with many Jewish organizations, including the Hatzmaut chapter of Hadassah and Beth Sholom Synagogue.

"I prefer to call myself a Middle East dancer," says the Montreal - born performer, who has studied for the past nine years with such professional practitioners of danse Orientale as Dahlia Obadia and Dakashi. "Unfortunately, people then mistakenly think I'm an Israeli folk-dancer. They expect me to keep doing the hora to the tune of Havah Nagilla."

She likes reminding people that belly dancing is indeed a folklore art.

She wears five exotic costumes that may cost from $300 to $1,000, featuring bras and belts made of Middle Eastern coins and dazzling Cleopatra-like python and asp necklaces.

She also provides audiences with music played by exotic instruments.

"And I really put my soul into it, when I clang my finger cymbals that we call zils," she says.

At the same time, she does not deny that her "danse du ventre" [dance of the belly, as it is called in French] can be sensual. Not to put too fine a point on it, her arty movements can be . . . well . . . very, very sexy.

"What's wrong with that?" she asks rather defensively. "The strange thing is that I always craved to go into the theatre. but I was a properly dutiful Jewish daughter. In the old-fashioned style, I listened to my mother, Faye, when she advised me to take the safe path and study to become a school teacher.

"So, what's happened since?" asks Bricks with a laugh. "Nowadays school teachers are a dime a dozen, many of us out of work. And my mother, now in her 60s, is a physical fitness enthusiast. She feels that expressing yourself with any kind of dancing is a terrific outlet for a modern woman."

She took time out from the interview to hush up her yelling daughter. Then she remarked: "The times have changed. No longer do we automatically obey our autocratic Jewish parents. Children now talk back and parents have learned to do creative listening.

"If Debbie wants to be a belly dancer when she grows up, I'll encourage her: 'Go and dance up a storm — as long as you put Jewish soul into it.'"

Judith Susanne [Tova] Bricks enjoys fantasizing that she's Jezebel.

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What's New

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and over looking for companionship and good Hebrew conversation. It meets at the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave., on Tuesdays from 7.30-9.30 p.m. for a program and refreshments. For information, call **Tanya Kuchinsky** or **Ephraim Deloomy** at 789-5131, ext. 477. . . . The Monday lecture and discussion series, Israel Today, meets continues on Feb. 13, from 2.30-3.30 p.m. with **Barney Harris**, national director of field services of UIA, who will discuss Israel's Security: The Current Situation. This program is free of charge. . . . The Meet the Author program on Thursday, Feb. 9, features **Sol Littman**, author of War Criminal on Trial — The Rauca Case. The time is 10.30 a.m. in the Fireside Lounge. Admission is free. . . . A new self-help group for recent widowers over 55 years of age is now forming. This support service is non-sectarian, free of charge and open for those widowed less than two years. The first meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 1, at 7.30 p.m. in the library. Call **Alan Steinberg** at the centre at 789-5131, ext. 477 for further information.

Among the nine groups of retired people to receive recent federal grants from Health and Welfare Canada were **Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Friendship Club** which received $14,176 to organize various recreational activities such as music, arts and crafts, film showings, luncheons and table games, and **B'nai B'rith Friendship Club** which was given $21, 538 to establish a seniors' club with activities to include concerts, music appreciation, lectures, film nights, games, arts and crafts and a dancercise club.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living's Lifelong Learning Institute (LLI) series, The World Around Us, continues on Monday, Feb. 13, with **Susan Perly**, CBC radio producer, who has recently returned from Central and South America, speaking on On Latin America. The time is 2-3.30 p.m. There is no charge.

The Health Information Lecture series will deal with Have a Heart — Live a Full Life on Thursday, Feb. 16, at 1 p.m. This program is a film and discussion about heart conditions. The time is 1 p.m. Lecture is free and open to the community.

The Sunday afternoon program on Feb. 12 features **Rabbi Irwin Witty** in a discussion of Yiddish Folklore as Reflected in Modern Hebrew Poetry. The lecture will be given in Yiddish and is open to the public, free of chaarge. The time is 2 p.m.

There is a Sunday night dance party on Feb. 12, at 7.30 p.m. with dancing to music of the Creative Band. Admission is $2 for members and $2.50 for guests.

The Wednesday social on Feb. 15 is a Valentine luncheon at 1.15 p.m. Bring your dancing slippers and enjoy the music after lunch.

The centre is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

at the jcc

Register now at the Jewish Community Centre northern branch for nursery (age 3) afternoon, junior kindergarten (age 4) afternoon, and senior kindergarten (age 5) afternoon. For more information, call **Rona Kaushansky** at 636-1880, ext. 229.

A Time Management workshop will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 15, from 7.30-10 p.m., organized by the Public Affairs and Continuing Education (PACE) department, Koffler Centre of the Arts. The workshop, with **Myrna Levine** as leader, will include discovering ways to use your time, prioritize and organize your work, learn some proven time-saving methods, and how to control your life and time. The fee is $8.50 for JCC members and $11 for non-members. Pre-registration is necessary. Call **Georgine Nash** at 636-1880, ext. 233 or registrar's office at ext. 243 for more information.

A Fitness Information Fair, part of Fitness Month at the JCC northern branch, takes place Sunday, Feb. 19, from 1-3 p.m. Pre-natal and postpartum information will include literature, displays, demonstrations and slides to cover fitness, health, nutrition, labor and delivery, breast feeding, infant care, aids and toys. This is open to the community and there is no charge. For more information, call **Eva Karpati** at 636-1880, ext. 235.

A reminder about the Koffler Gallery's deluxe art and cultural tour to Japan May 18-June 3 to see Japan's leading art galleries, museums, shrines, the outdoor sculpture gardens, the stained-glass Tower of Happiness, temples, markets and diving for pearls, and, of course, much, much more.

There is a 3-day gallery tour to New York, April 27-29 with **Pat Fleisher**. Call 636-2145 or 636-1880, ext. 328 for further information.

At the North-East branch — The North-East Couples Over 40 group invites you to an evening with **Jim Peterson** (MP Willowdale) who will discuss, among other things, his position as head of the Soviet Jewry parliamentary committee and his recent trip to Russia. The date is Sunday, Feb. 12, at 8 p.m. at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. For information contact **Susan Levine** at the NE office at 889-0813.

About People

OUTREACH COMMISSION

Steven E. Foster, senior rabbi of Temple Emanuel in Denver, has been appointed co-chairman of the Commission of Reform Jewish Outreach of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Central Conference of American Rabbis. Representing the CCAR, the rabbi will share leadership of the newly-formed commission with **David W. Belin** of Des Moines.

Steven E. Foster

One major task of the commission is to reach intermarried couples as well as children of mixed marriages, people who seek information about Judaism, those who have already converted to Judaism and the public at large by means of programs to impart the message that "Judaism is a living, meaningful, spiritual religion that welcomes all who wish to embrace it."

SAUL FIELD'S PAINTINGS

Toronto artist **Saul Field's** paintings are on exhibit at Don Mills Library during February. Mr. Field, "printmaker supreme" and symbolic expressionist, works in a number of media including watercolors, polymar and lacquer. He is represented in many exhibitions and private collections.

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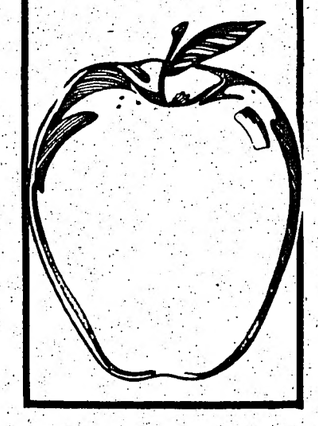

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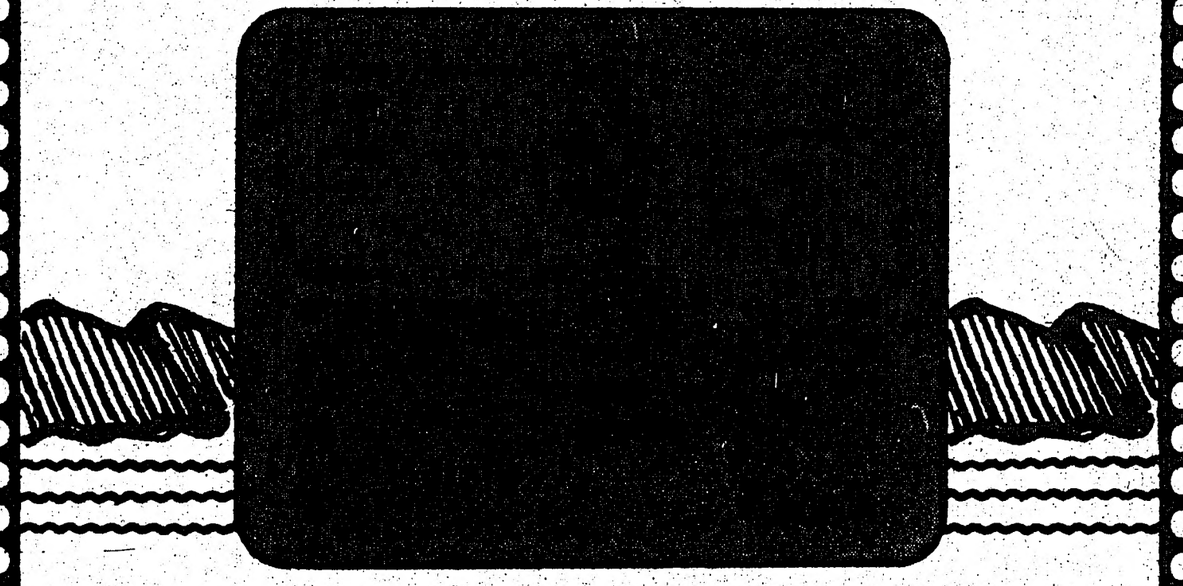

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Organizations and People

AG calls hate literature a cancer that must be stopped

By VIVIEN SHARON

TORONTO —

Hate literature is a cancer that is spreading and could destroy the very social, moral and ethic fabric of our society, said Ontario attorney - general Roy McMurtry, at the Toronto Council of Brotherhoods 26th installation breakfast meeting last week at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue.

Speaking to more than 350 people, McMurtry said the dissemination of hate literature has taken on major public importance and high priority at provincial and federal levels.

"Both the police and crown officers are determined to demonstrate that purveyors of hatred are unacceptable and subject to prosecution. We must confront these issues at all levels," said the attorney-general, who himself had his own election signs defaced by swastikas during a previous provincial election campaign.

While it is the responsibility of all attorneys-general in Canada to protect the civil rights of her citizens, he stated that Ontario was the first provincial jurisdiction to have a Human Rights Code protecting minorities.

He added that, in 1979, the Ontario cabinet committee on race relations was formed under his chairmanship, and serves as a "visible government force" to protect and enhance the rights of all ethnic minorities.

Two matters under recent study are the proliferation of telephone hate recordings and all data regarding Edmonton's Keegstra affair, he reported.

"Even though this is a difficult matter to prosecute, I continue to believe it is a problem that should be examined in civil and criminal law courts in this country.

"Yet, the elected representatives cannot tackle this issue alone. The law cannot teach people to what degree they should love or hate his neighbor. Justice lies in the hearts and minds of men and women; when it dies, no law or court can save it," McMurtry said.

"Every citizen must play a part. There are no free rides; minding your own business is no virtue. To be silent is to hand them a victory — and for Jews, that's intolerable.

"Israel symbolizes a nation of people who have been homeless, repressed, tormented, humiliated and on the doorstep of death. Her survival cannot be the subject of debate," said McMurtry, who visited Israel three times.

"We must guarantee that never again will hatred, spite, and bigotry unfold its blooms — certainly not in Canada. We must not answer to the call of the madman."

The Council of Jewish Brotherhoods of Metropolitan Toronto and Vicinity is an organization unique to major metro areas in North America in that it includes the brotherhoods of some 25 Jewish congregations including Orthodox, Conservative, Reform and Sephardic.

Nelson Ludwig, who was installed as president of the council for a 1-year term, has been president of the Men's Club of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Congregation, president of Central Lodge of B'nai B'rith, president of the Young Men's Hebrew Association Sick Benefit Society and an ardent UJA canvasser.

The other officers for 1984: Immediate past president, Al Cohen (Shaarei Tefillah Brotherhood); 1st vice-president, George Glass (Beth Tzedec Men's Club); 2nd vice-president, David Benatar (Petah Tikva Anshei Castilla); 3rd vice-president, Murray Kaye (Temple Sinai Brotherhood); recording secretary, Bernie Parl (Beth Sholom Synagogue); treasurer, Murray Hoffman (Shaarei Tefillah Brotherhood) and corresponding secretary, Jerry Bagelman (Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am).

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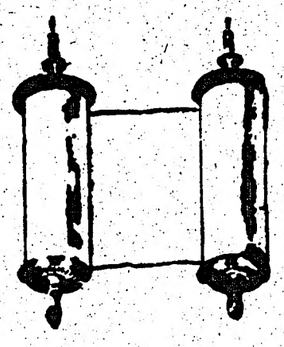

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Tetzaveh

A Jewish neshama is a precious thing. Every second counts for something.

An old woman was on her deathbed. They called the rabbi, and he helped her recite the final "vidui" — confession.

After she was done, she looked up at him and asked: "Rabbi, must I die right now, or can I have a drink of water first?" (Chad v'Chalak).

In this week's parsha, the Jews were commanded to take "shemen zayit zach katit la'maor — pure olive oil, beaten for light . . ." It was poured into the menorah, and lit the sanctuary.

The menorah represents every Jew. The body of the menorah is the body of a Jew, formed of the earth. The wick is the neshama, the soul. What is the oil? The Torah we study and the mitzvahs we perform — that keeps a neshama aflame!

Without Torah how can a neshama survive?

A rabbi entered the study of the Gerer Rebbe and saw his shelves lined with thousands of sefarim. How can one person study from so many books? he wondered.

When the rebbe entered, he commented: "A person must remember at least one thing from every sefer that he has on his shelves . . ."

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We can only serve G-d through joy.

The oil represents a Jewish neshama, striving, reaching upward to the Al-mighty.

It is "katit — la'maor!" It is beaten "for — light!"

What does it symbolize? A Jew "beats," works on himself. "What are my faults? What do I have to improve? What have I done wrong?" Such inner searching is good. When? When it is "la'maor — for light!" If it helps you shine greater, makes you serve the Almighty with even greater vigour, with joy.

But if you walk through life with a cloud of gloom, you look back on all your foolishness, your mistakes, and you say: "What good am I? What good is my worship?" Such inner immolation can just paralyze, lead to depression . . . (Btzar Chaim).

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But the menorah represents yet another symbol — the whole of the Jewish people.

We are the nation — "katit, beaten." We can never escape being singled out, attacked. One hundred and ten non-aligned nations agree that their mass media no longer refer to Israel but the "Zionist racists." Just another wave in the sea of hatred against our people.

How can we survive?

"La'maor — for light!" You make your plans, says the Al-mighty, and scheme your schemes. But in the end, the Jewish people will survive and overcome, and see the great light, the light of holiness and peace and yes . . . a light unto the very nations that plot against her!

But at least we have to show love and respect for each other. Reb Yoshe Ber Brisker went for a walk when he was met by three "enlightened" Jews who liked to taunt the old fashioned scholars. "Good morning, Reb Avraham," greeted one. "Good morning, Reb Isaac," said the second. "Good morning, Reb Jacob," greeted a third.

"You are making a mistake," answered Reb Yoshe Ber. "I am neither Abraham, Isaac or Jacob, but Saul ben Kish who went out looking for three donkeys and I've found them." Shabbat Shalom.

"Schwester Selma" marks 100th birthday

Hospital dedicates year to nurse

JERUSALEM —

The year 1984 has been declared "Schwester Selma Year" at the Shaare Zedek Medical Center in honor of the 100th birthday of the nurse called a "living saint" by Time Magazine.

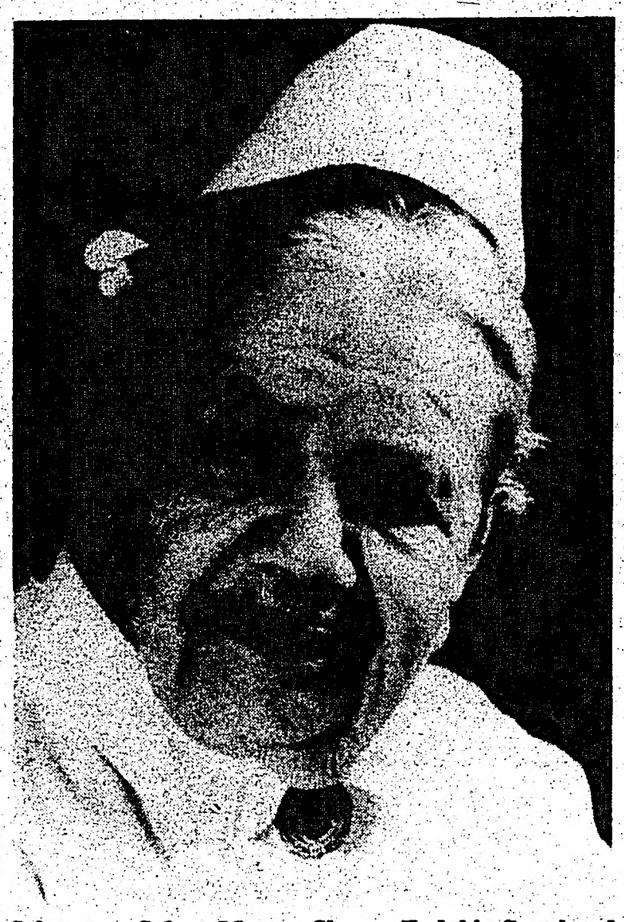
Selma Mayer arrived in Jerusalem in December of 1916 after a 4-week journey from her home in Hamburg, at the request of the then-director of the hospital, Dr. Moshe Wallach, who had recruited her from the Salomon Heine Hospital.

"I have come to work, not to rest," she declared on her first morning at the hospital and has lived that credo ever since.

Never married, she lived at the hospital and except for the two orphans she adopted, devoted herself exclusively to the welfare of her patients and the development of the Shaare Zedek School of Nursing.

Now infirm and confined to her room, Schwester Selma still receives old friends who come from all over the world to visit her.

"Her year" began the first week of February with a celebration in her room at the medical centre, followed by celebrations at the national convention of Shaare Zedek nurses and school graduates attended by Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek and other celebrities.



Schwester Selma Mayer, Shaare Zedek's first head nurse and founder of the Shaare Zedek School of Nursing.

The Schwester Selma Nurses Education Fund and the head nurse's suite have been endowed in her honor. Fund raising activities will take place throughout the year both at the medical centre and in those countries all over the world where the hospital has supporters.

When she had been at Shaare Zedek for 20 years, Schwester Selma helped establish the hospital's school of nursing.

Her moral and physical endurance were called to the test on numerous occasions: during the 1916 typhoid epidemic which raged for the full year and the Shaare Zedek 50-bed isolation unit treated over 2,000 patients; the 1950 polio epidemic, when Jerusalem's only isolation centre was established at Shaare Zedek, and the numerous other emergencies caused by war, terrorist attacks and natural disasters.

In its Dec. 29, 1975 issue on Living Saints, Time Magazine called her "something of an angel, certainly a tzadik."

For information on participating in the Schwester Selma Endowments, call The Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation (416) 781-3584 in Toronto, (514) 486-7301 in Montreal or (204) 284-6620 in Winnipeg.

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Holocaust seen as more than murder of millions

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

The Holocaust did more than kill six million Jews.

While that gruesome fact alone has weighty implications, it is not merely the statistics of murder that makes the Holocaust a singular event.

For Jews, the Holocaust was a watershed, a turning point in how they should perceive the world and plan a strategy to meet Jewish needs, visiting Hebrew lecturer Ze'ev Mankowitz said here recently.

Mankowitz told about 130 members of the Young Adults Division of United Jewish Appeal that as Jews, and especially as future leaders, they must consider whether the "Jewish love affair" with Western civilization has justification in light of the Holocaust.

Jews have embraced Western culture and sacrificed much of their own "historical baggage" over the past 200 years, he said. Yet it was in the heart of that Western civilization that an ideology of total extermination arose — to the exclusion of all other considerations — and came close to succeeding.

Mankowitz told the young leaders that the victory of the Jews over Hitler has not yet been assured, since the two largest Jewish communities — in the United States and Israel — are both young and vulnerable.

He warned that Jewish leaders must develop strategies to contend with the problem of Jewish survival. And to do so, they must understand the hard lessons of the Holocaust.

Jewry's love affair with the West must come into question, Mankowitz argued. The Nazis' racial theories and policies of extermination attracted not just the lunatic fringe, but also the most educated members of German society. Eighty percent of the SS consisted of university graduates, he said.

Doctors, supposedly men of healing, were among those who helped make the Nazi machine run efficiently. Auschwitz, he said, was an example of "medicalized killing" where doctors decided who would live or die, pronounced fit those who would be worked to death, confirmed the deaths of those in gas chambers and sent human beings to laboratories as specimens for experiments.

Throughout their empire, the Nazis found many people willing to participate in their genocidal designs. Europeans who appreciated Beethoven and Van Gogh, who loved their own families, were the same people who felt no compunction in killing Jews . . . and in devising better ways to do it.

Lacked decency

These people, despite having "absorbed the distilation of Western learning," lacked simple human decency. Jews must question a loyalty to the sort of civilization that puts decency so low on its lists of priorities, Mankowitz said.

Having survived the Holocaust, Jews have learned an important lesson — "that the tragedy of the Jews was not necessarily that everyone was against us, but that we [Jews] couldn't be for ourselves."

Jews have since acted to reverse the reality of helplessness and indignity suffered by European Jews, and have succeeded in establishing a "Jewish priority and a place where it can be transformed into meaningful terms."

Because of Israel, Mankowitz said, Jews can set up a transmitter and beam news to Jews in Russia without having to bang on others' doors, as they did for four months in 1944 to plead with the BBC to broadcast warning messages to Hungarian Jews.

Quoting Emil Fackenheim, Mankowitz said Jews are now "returning to history" by taking control of their own fate and destiny. And while there is "no insurance policy attached to Israel, just as there isn't one for Toronto or Moscow, Israel offers Jews a chance for a life of dignity."

Mankowitz warned that while Jews have grasped the reality of the world — that every group has its own priorities and looks after its own people, that drive to power must be balanced with human values so that power will be used wisely and not to harm others.

The model for Jews today, Mankowitz said, are those who experienced the Holocaust and survived. Despite undergoing the worst indignities imaginable, they did not turn to vindictiveness and nihilism.

Rather, "they turned to life, to build for the future, to rebuild their families and the Jewish people.

"They created the norm for the Jewish people," Mankowitz said. "They haven't spoken it in books . . . they did it in their lives."

Organization seeks funds for animals

WASHINGTON —

The World Society for the Protection of Animals has launched a fund raising campaign to assist Israel in working to prevent animal suffering there.

The U.S.-based nonprofit organization is seeking funds to improve and modernize the existing animal shelters in Israel, to build shelters where there are none, to provide needed medical equipment and supplies and to initiate a humane education campaign in the schools.

There is now one shelter each in Jerusalem, Haifa and Beersheba and three shelters in the Tel Aviv area.

Nina Natelson, coordinator of Project Israel, who recently returned from that country, says, "It is a credit to the Jewish religion that strong emphasis is placed on compassion for animals, that it is a human duty to relieve the pain of any creature, though it be ownerless or belonging to a non-Jew."

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Organizations and People

Higher profile sought for hospital

Barkin heads Sunnybrook Centre

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

When Dr. Martin Barkin and his cousin, Leonard, financed their university education by operating coin laundry machines, it was a portent of things to come.

Dr. Barkin, now 47, has moved from the operating room to the executive suite as president and chief executive officer of Sunnybrook Medical Centre. Leonard Barkin is a partner in Touche, Ross.

As head of the urology service at Sunnybrook, Dr. Barkin had a large practice and he told The CJN he will miss the one-to-one contact with patients and satisfaction with relieving distress. But he is enthusiastic about his new post and determined to give the University of Toronto-owned hospital, the largest in Metro, a higher profile.

"It is not unusual for an MD to go into hospital administration, but it is unusual for one with a clinical background to do so," he acknowledged.

But the switch from surgical mask and gown to the "bottom line" concerns of a corporation president is not surprising in view of his background. Even as a youngster, his father, Jack, involved him in the affairs of his textile business (Ontario Hosiery) and real estate ventures.

In 1973, Barkin was a founder of Sunnybrook Hospital University of Toronto Clinics and ultimately became its chairman. With 120 full-time specialist members, it provided $20 million worth of services last year.

As president of Sunnybrook, he will oversee an enterprise with a budget of $100 million, 3,000 employees and that serves 15,000 in-patients and 300,000 out-patients in a year.

He makes no bones of the fact he wants a higher profile for Sunnybrook Medical Centre, located on Bayview Ave. in North York, which has the largest Jewish community in Canada. In fact, for the first time in its history, the hospital will embark on a public campaign for funds next November or December.

About one-third of its patients are from North York, another third from Metro, and the rest from other parts of Ontario and the rest of Canada.

The chiefs of four of the five major surgical divisions at Sunnybrook, urology, plastic, orthopedic and neurosurgery, are Jewish. A kosher food service is available.

The Jacob Rosenstadt bequest for health research, in honor of his sister Bertha Rosenstadt, the first Jewish woman to graduate from the University of Toronto, was awarded to Sunnybrook's nursing faculty two years running, 1981-82, for its work on the implications of chronicity.

Barkin is looking forward to close contact with North York's Jewish community as a chance to strengthen the ties his family has always had.

Dr. Martin Barkin

His great uncle, Abraham Barkin, was the cantor at the old Londoner Shul on Spadina Ave. An uncle was cantor at the former Goel Tzedec Congregation on University Ave. His late uncle, Harry, was active at Baycrest Hospital, and both his father and late uncle were honored in 1968 by the Farband and Histadrut. His father was a founding member of Beth Sholom Synagogue.

Barkin's bar mitzvah was at Beth Sholom, as were the bar mitzvahs of his five sons, and Rabbi Kirshenblatt prepared them all, including the father.

Barkin and his wife, the former Carol Kohn of Toronto, have six children — five sons and one daughter: Timmy, 25, Jeffrey, 24, Kerry, 23, Risa, 22, Dana, 21 and Robbie, 19. None has followed the father into medicine. Timmy, the oldest, is a car mechanic.

Robbie, the youngest, has come back from three months on a kibbutz and intends to go back to Israel in two months for an extended stay. Kerry has spent a summer in Israel.

Barkin's Jewish education was a traditional one. He was a student of Rabbi A. A. Price at the yeshiva when it was at the corner of Markham and Ulster.

Barkin graduated in medicine from the U of T in 1960 and was awarded the Cody Silver Medal. (His training was in the prestigious Gallie course in surgery.) He took special training in chemistry, earning a B.Sc. and MA in that subject at U of T in 1962 and 1963.

He was awarded a McLaughlin Traveling Fellowship which enabled him to take advanced training in England, at Harvard, and at centres in Chicago, Denver and Los Angeles in 1967-8.

He was appointed to the staff of Hospital for Sick Children and Sunnybrook Medical Centre in 1968, named chief of the division of urology at Sunnybrook in 1971 and made a full professor of surgery at U of T in 1982.

One of his goals at Sunnybrook is "ever higher levels of excellence" in fields in which the Centre is already renowned, such as cancer, trauma and spinal cord injuries (it is the only level 1 trauma centre in the province) and research into diseases of the aged.

With an occupancy rate of 96%, Dr. Barkin said the services of the Centre are in such demand that it must expand its resources in ambulatory care, in research and in education. More parking space is also urgently required.

He expressed appreciation for many notes and letters from patients on his recent appointment, and he has assured them in a private letter that their records are available and there will be no disruption in their care.

Abused women to get shelter

By
PATRICIA RUCKER

NORTH YORK —

Construction is scheduled to begin March 1 on the first emergency shelter in North York for battered women and their children.

The building, which has been designed to blend into the surrounding Sheppard-Wilson Heights neighborhood, should be completed Sept. 1. It will provide emergency housing for 26 women and children.

Capital financing is being provided by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, and the Metropolitan Toronto department of community services will fund the shelter on a per diem basis.

However, public funding will not cover the total 1984-85 operating budget of $450,000, and North York Women's Shelter president Rita Deunisch has launched a campaign for $90,000 to bridge the gap.

The shelter will be staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and will offer protection, information and crisis counseling by phone and in person, and advocacy and legal counseling.

In a newsletter, Deunisch points out that battered women have few choices: they can endure the battering, or they can try to get a court order forcing their husbands out of the family home. In either case, they and their children are still in danger.

If they leave, the first place their husbands look for them is at the homes of relatives — who often don't want to get involved.

They need a shelter where they will be fed, housed and, most important of all, protected.

The needs of the children are often quite different from those of their mothers. Raised in a violent home, they need to learn not to use violence themselves. The program staff, Deunisch says, would be particularly aware of the possibility of physical or sexual child abuse.

The construction of the shelter is the result of months of quiet lobbying for CMHC funds and long consultations with the City of North York.

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B'nai B'rith Canada president Don Jubas hands statement, protesting West German arms sale to Saudi Arabia, to West German consul-general Dr. E. G. Koch. With them, from left, are Herb Levy, chairman, foreign affairs committee; Charles Goldlust, vice-president and Frank Dimant, executive vice-president

BB issues strong statement

Arms sale casts dark cloud

TORONTO —

"We cannot express too strongly how disturbing is the thought that German arms may once again be used against Jews."

A B'nai B'rith Canada delegation used those strong terms last week when meeting with the West German consul-general in Toronto to protest arms negotiations between West Germany and Saudi Arabia.

"We fear that the sale of arms to a nation which has expressed its commitment to the destruction of Israel will do much to destroy the positive relationship with the Jewish people that Germany has taken pains to develop over the past 35 years," Charles Goldlust, a B'nai B'rith vice-president and Holocaust survivor, told the consul-general, Dr. E. G. Koch.

At the meeting, B'nai B'rith president Don Jubas read a statement aloud to Koch. It stated in part:

"We fear that arms from Saudi Arabia have been used in the war against Israel on the part of radical Arabs such as Syria, Iraq, and the PLO.

"Whether the weapons are offensive or defensive makes little difference when the security risk to Israel is so high.

"In light of the tragedy of the Holocaust during World War II, and the ensuing relationship between Germany and the Jewish people, it is alarming that West Germany would consider selling arms to a country which advocates the destruction of the Jewish state.

"West Germany has maintained its moral responsibility to the Jewish people in the aftermath of the Holocaust. The irony of German weapons being used in a 'holy war' against the Jewish people is an extremely bitter one.

"We strongly urge the West German government to withdraw its offer to sell arms to Saudi Arabia."

Also representing B'nai B'rith at the meeting were: Herbert Levy, foreign affairs chairman; Frank Dimant, executive vice-president; and Ellen Kachuck, director of communications and education.

Million dollar donor

NEW YORK [JTA] —

A gift of $4.3 million to support Jewish studies at Columbia University has been received from an anonymous donor, it was announced last week by university president Michael Sovern. "This magnificent gift will enormously strengthen our ability to support excellent teaching and important research in Jewish studies," he said.

The gift is a major contribution to the current Campaign for Columbia, a 5-year effort to raise $400 million that began last November.

The gift will fund a professorship in American Jewish history and a second professorship in Hebrew and comparative literature, Sovern said.

It will also provide endowment for the Centre for Israel and Jewish Studies and for the Judaica collections in the university libraries.

Columbia is renowned for its long tradition of academic study and teaching of Jewish civilization.

At the present time, Columbia is believed to have more graduates working in the field of Jewish studies than any other university in the world, with the exception of Israeli universities.

Labor group pushes fund raising efforts

MONTREAL —

The Canadian Association for Labor Israel is intensifying its fund raising for medical and educational projects in Israel because of the country's current economic crisis.

At a recent all-day national executive meeting, chaired by national president Bernard Bloomfield, it was decided to find additional financial support immediately for Kupat Holim, the medical service of Histadrut, and for Reshet Amal educational projects.

The Reshet Amal Foundation has been established to fund technological upgrading and training programs in the Amal schools.

Reports were also given on the progress of three other projects of the association: construction of a neonatology unit at the Soroka Hospital in Beersheba by the Toronto branch will begin in April; the building of the Histadrut Youth Centre at Givat Olga by the Montreal branch is going ahead, with the foundation and exterior walls expected to be put in place soon; and substantial funding has already been provided for Winnipeg's Shanas pharmacy department at the Bellinson Hospital.

Each city is also carrying out campaigns for Amal scholarships to help teenagers who need scholastic and vocational training, said Bloomfield.

In Vancouver and Montreal, the Canadian Friends of Amal have committed themselves to equip computer laboratories in the Amal schools in Petah Tikvah and Hadera.

The "urgent" need to provide financial support to enable the schools to keep pace with technological change was stressed at the meeting.

Max Federman, national president of the Histadrut Trade Union Council, reported that the council is conducting an "excellent public relations program" against the anti-Israel propaganda that is infiltrating unions across Canada.

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Organizations and People

Kosher food company celebrates 100th anniversary

Family made its first Passover matzohs in 1884

By TAMMY KAROL

NEW YORK —

Next month, New York's mayor Ed Koch will attempt to bake the world's largest matzoh.

The venture will mark the 100th anniversary of the Horowitz Bros. and Margareten Company, known for kosher Passover and year-round food products.

Special events planned by the New York organization include a gala matzoh ball scheduled for March. Invitations to the black tie evening have been extended to major distributors, food giants and heads of large supermarket chains which carry Horowitz-Margareten products.

In Canada, distributors are Supreme Foods in Weston, Ont. and Star Appetizing in St. Leonard, Que.

Horowitz - Margareten has been under the OU label since 1967, meaning it has kashruth certification from the Orthodox Union of Rabbis.

Its products ranging from noodles and gefilte fish to a dozen type of matzohs and some 150 other foods, are exported not only to Canada but to Australia, South Africa, Belgium, Japan, Holland, Curacao, Gibraltar, Great Britain, Hong Kong, New Zealand, Venezuela and Switzerland.

As part of its celebration, the company will sponsor model seders at Jewish schools in New York and special tours will be arranged at its factory..

Less than a year after they arrived in the United States from Hungary, Jacob and Mary Horowitz decided in 1884 to establish a matzoh bakery with the help of their four sons, one daughter and her husband. The founders began by baking matzoh in borrowed ovens in a tiny bakery at the southern tip of Manhattan.

Jacob Horowitz finalized arrangements with a German flour dealer, who also had a baking oven and a machine for rolling dough. Jacob would buy 50 barrels of flour in exchange for the use of the bakery equipment.

Many of the matzohs produced on that machine were literally "hot from the oven" when sold to hungry customers over the counter.

The business grew rapidly, but Jacob died within a year of its beginning and his sons, Joseph, Leopold, Samuel and Moses, and daughter Regina, with her husband, Ignatz, ran the company as a partnership until they incorporated in 1910.

When production demands increased, the Horowitz family moved the bakery to larger quarters on East Fourth St. The business remained there until the factory and warehouse at 2900 Review Ave. in Long Island was purchased in 1945.

Horowitz - Margareten remains at the Long Island location today and much of the matzoh making machinery and innovative procedures were developed there by the family.

The family's 50 barrels of flour used to make the first Passover matzohs in 1884 was a process accomplished almost entirely by hand. In 1900, 15,000 barrels were consumed at the bakery and by 1932 the numbers escalated to 45,000 barrels of flour for the year.

The annual total used presently exceeds 75,000 bags a year.

Originally there was only one type of matzoh produced, but now varieties include egg and onion, dietetic, whole wheat and chocolate covered.

Gross sales have grown from $1 million in 1931 to $3 million in 1959, and over $8 million today.

Regina Horowitz, the founder's daughter, presided over the company's growth as the active matriarch of both business and family until her death in 1959 at the age of 96.

She was instrumental in creating a family association that includes members in the United States and in Israel and Europe.

The family association has 400 members and, including spouses and children, the total membership is well in the thousands. It was inaugurated after World War I to keep the family together and enable prosperous members to aid relatives in other countries.

During World War II, the Horowitz - Margareten family had over 100 of its members in the armed forces, many of whom were killed in action. During the war the family saved hundreds of persecuted Jews from Europe, signing affadavits for their entry into the United States.

Remnants of the family still in Europe after the war were brought to the U.S. and Israel. In Israel, the family association established a still-existing loan fund to help needy relatives and others "get started."

Currently the Horowitz - Margareten company is run by a fourth and fifth generation father and son team, Harry and Jack Margareten.

In summing up the firm's accomplishments President Harry Margareten said: "Dedication to making quality matzohs and other products, our faithfulness to the requirements of producing kosher products for Passover and year-round, and a reputation for integrity have kept us in business for our first 100 years.

"We expect Horowitz Bros. and Margareten will be around baking matzoh long enough to celebrate its 200th anniversary."

CHAT to include grade 9

By PATRICIA RUCKER

TORONTO —

The Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto announced last week that it will open a grade 9 in September.

An information meeting for parents and students will be held at the school on Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 8 p.m.

Students who have completed grade 8 in a Jewish day school will be eligible to enter the regular CHAT program.

For a number of years, CHAT has offered a special program in Hebrew and Judaica to students entering grade 10 from the public schools. This track, which leads eventually into integration into the regular Hebrew curriculum, will also be available to students who want to come into the new grade 9 from a public school.

CHAT is the last of the Jewish day high schools in Toronto to open a grade 9. The decision, which has the approval of the Board of Jewish Education and the Toronto Jewish Congress, brings the CHAT program into line with policy changes proposed by the Ontario ministry of education.

The changes, outlined in the ministry's 1984 program and diploma requirements, could, in effect, reduce the number of years a university-bound student will spend in the secondary system from five to 4½ or even four.

Students entering grade 9 in the fall of 1984 will come under the new requirements.

The New Baycrest Hospital

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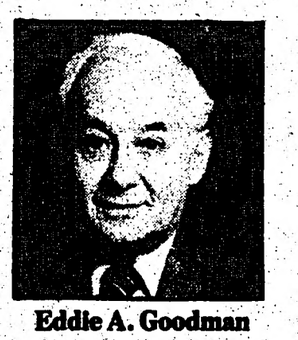

Eddie A. Goodman

With over 70 Baycrest supporters attending the recent Top Gifts "Coming Out of Hibernation Breakfast," the 1984 campaign drive began its second phase with a tremendous boost.

Paul Godfrey

Hosted by Top Gifts Chairman Syd Loftus, early-morning risers enjoyed special guest Metro Chairman **Paul Godfrey** who offered a warm and sensitive look at his 20-year ties with Baycrest stating, "In the past, Baycrest and its highly professional staff have always been there for Metro Toronto and now, Baycrest needs us, . . . We all must continue to build the **miracle of Baycrest**."

Following **Mr. Godfrey**, Building Committee Chairman **Syd Cooper** inspired the group with his report that hospital construction is now up to the second floor and moving on schedule!

Enthusiastic supporters included the following: **Susan Adams, Bunny Bergstein, David Campbell, William Clarfield, Barry Cracower, Sam Crystal, Alan Dessau, Michael Feldman, Alex Fisher, Jerry Friedman, Irving Frisch, Joe Garwood, Cynthia Gasner, Marvin Geist, Larry Ginsberg, Ben Goldmintz, Phyl Goldner, David Goldstein, Edwin Goldstein, Harry Gorman, Phil Granovsky, Al Green, Harold Gross, Dr. Cyril Gryfe, Harold Hillman, Howard Isenberg, Morris Jesion, Michael Koskie, Ethyle Levine, Frank Levine, Lorne Miller, Bernard Nathanson, Nell Nisker, Abe Posluns, Alan Posluns, Gerald Ray, Steve Rudin, Sam Ruth, Norman Schipper, Gerald Shear, Gerald Sheff, Murray Sherr, Dr. Barry Sherman, Al Silver, Cary Solomon, Harry Solomon, Jack Solomon, Harvey Solursh, Murray Swelgman, Alma Waldman, Thomas Warrington, Norman White, Jerold Winter and Earl Weintraub.**

Prior to closing the meeting, Campaign Co-chairman **Eddie Goodman** offered sincere wishes for a quick and full recovery on behalf of the whole campaign team to **Eph Diamond** and **Eric Exton**. At last report, both are coming along well, and Eric is running his office from his hospital bed in Florida!

Special recognition is extended to **Harold Gross** who has brought in the first gift following the Top Gifts opening meeting. Thanks to Harold for getting the ball rolling!

In the Business & Professions Division, upcoming meetings include Construction, Young Businessmen's and Insurance — a busy month for a busy division.

And the Women's Auxiliary held a very successful kick-off luncheon at the home of Co-chairman **Helen Marr** where past canvassers were praised for their efforts and continued support and new canvassers were welcomed to the exciting Baycrest challenge. As well, Helen announced that in the absence of **Esther Exton, Florence Kizell** will act as Associate Chairperson. WA luncheon guests included: **Susan Adams, Toby Bekhor, Evelyn Bernstein, Ida Bloom, Faye Estrin, Pat Friedland, Cynthia Gasner, Selma Hanson, Raye Hillman, Florence Kizell, Ethyle Levine, Betty Lucatch, Dorothy Newman, Mary Pearlstein, and Alma Waldman.**

Under the leadership of Ben Goldmintz, the Men's Service Group held its very first Telethon recently. Among those supporters who offered their telephone skills for Baycrest were: **Harry Arbus, Moe Freedman, Alan Judelman, Monty Goldstone, David Mendelson, Bill Rotman, and Abe Woolf.** According to Telethon Chairman **Ben Goldmintz**, "the event was so successful that we're planning a repeat performance." Added Ben, "All of us were extremely delighted with the warm and sensitive response we received when we called upon old friends of Baycrest — this response made our efforts that much more meaningful."

SPECIAL NOTE:

The Canadian Jewish News apologizes to **Sam Spivak** and **Alan Dessau** for the typographical errors made in the January 27 issue.

COMING EVENTS

בית צדק BETH TZEDEC

SAT., FEB. 11, 10 a.m. - **L'Dor Va'Dor - From Generation to Generation.** A special Family Service for children, parents and grandparents, in the Chapel, with special Kiddush following in the Board Room. Service led by **Rabbi Lawrence Troster, Mr. Jacob Israeli** and the **Junior Congregation.**

TUES., FEB. 14, 1:15 p.m. - **FRIENDSHIP CLUB PLUS 50.** Film: **Victor Victoria,** starring Julie Andrews, Robert Preston and James Garner. Everyone welcome. Refreshments served. Non-members $1.50.

TUES., FEB. 14, 9 a.m.–3 p.m. - **Treat yourself to Sisterhood** – Full Day program. **Reservations necessary.**

TUES., FEB. 21, 1:15 p.m. - **FRIENDSHIP CLUB PLUS 50.** Slides . . . **Ruth Krieger** presents **Nagasaki To Tokyo,** (Japanese Slides No. 2 – You will be thrilled as we all were when Japanese Slides No. 1 were shown.) Everyone welcome! Refreshments served. Non-members $1.50.

SAT., FEB. 25, 12 noon, following Services - **SHABBAT STUDY LUNCHEON.** Guest speaker: **Mr. Victor Topper.** Topic: **Art In Judaism.** Adults $4.75, children under 12 $2.50. Paid reservations to be made by Wednesday, February 22.

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Friday, February 24

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Organizations and People

Gratified by growth of Hamilton congregation

Rabbi to be honored during festive weekend

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —
A festive weekend celebrating the silver anniversary of Rabbi Morton Green as spiritual leader of the Adas Israel Congregation, will be held March 3 and 4.

The community-wide tribute dinner on Sunday, March 4 at 7 p.m. at Adas Israel Synagogue will mark the formal launching of the Rabbi Morton Green Foundation for the promotion of Jewish education. Guest speaker will be Rabbi Walter Wurzburger, formerly of Toronto and now of Far Rockway, NY. The dinner will be preceded by a cocktail reception at 6 p.m.

The weekend celebrations begin Saturday morning, March 3, with a congregational Shabbat seudat mitzvah, to which a particular invitation is extended to all graduates and former pupils of the Hamilton Hebrew Academy.

It was Green who founded the academy in 1962, four years after his arrival here, newly ordained and following studies at the Talmudical Academy High School of Yeshiva University, Yeshiva University and the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Rabbinic School.

In 1961 he presided over the move of his congregation from the Cannon St. shul in the heart of the downtown area where Jewish immigrants had first settled, to its large new synagogue on Cline Ave. in the west end. A highlight was the building of a mikvah to take the place of an old one long since fallen into disuse.

But most gratifying of all, he says, was the growth of his Orthodox congregation from the 75 families, mostly small merchants and business people, when he arrived in July 1958, to approximately 450 families today.

At that time, "the professionals tended to affiliate with the Reform congregation and the upper middle classes were drawn to the Conservative congregation," he says.

"After 25 years, those artifical barriers have been shattered and many young professionals not only affiliate (with Adas Israel) but have become more traditional. They observe kashrut and Shabbat, send their children to the day school and keep a traditional home . . . Orthodoxy has come of age."

Rabbi Morton Green

Green does not define Orthodoxy as "having to observe all the mitzvot" but as "a growing process. Each one struggles at his own level . . . I have to struggle, too," he adds, and he considers it a tragedy that "people think Orthodoxy lacks understanding. This is false to the spirit of Judaism."

It distresses him to see divisions in the community and he makes a plea for tolerance: "Judaism is very liberal and very tolerant and so long as people — including Christians — place the commitment 'to love thy neighbor' at the centre of their religious philosophy . . . Orthodox Jews can be very comfortable with anyone.

"What we have created in Adas Israel and in the community in general," says Green, "is a family relationship. My door is open to anyone in the community."

He was the 1973 Hamilton UJA campaign chairman and in 1975 named Negev Dinner honoree.

In 1964 the National Association of Day Schools of America presented Green with the Amudim Award for his achievements in Jewish education and he is grateful, he says, "that I was able to raise a mishpocha in Hamilton that is dedicated to Torah and Talmud."

A native of Montreal, Green met his wife, the former Sylvia Hoffenberg of Hartford, Conn., while he was serving as a student rabbi at Stern College for Women. The couple has four sons and one daughter, one grandson and another grandchild on the way.

Learning is the base, he says, on which Jewish life is built and education the key to Jewish survival and "that is why I feel the day school is so important."

But now, Jewish families in Hamilton "can live a total and complete Jewish life," almost impossible, he observes, outside of the few very large cities on this continent.

Stevens critical of PLO

MP defends Israel's stand

By
VIVIEN SHARON

TORONTO —
Foreign forces must remove themselves from Lebanon but not until a satisfactory agreement has been reached and is acceptable to Israel, Progressive Conservative MP Sinclair Stevens told more than 300 people who attended a dedication banquet at Congregation B'nai Torah last week.

Stevens, the PC external affairs critic, said that "Israel has every right to exist and this must be the cornerstone of Canadian foreign policy.

"Israel is our ally," he continued. "Canada has to support her and act as a major voice to preserve peace in the Mideast."

Stevens pointed out that Israel has made concessions toward achieving peace. In particular, he said, Israel relinquished oilfields to the Egyptians in accordance with the Camp David agreement.

As a result, he said Israel must now import two million tons of oil alone from Egypt. "This indicates a tremendous concession on behalf of Israel to establish peace in the area," he said.

With regard to the PLO, Stevens declared: "How can you negotiate with the PLO whose underlying policy is to destroy Israel's existence?"

On the international scene generally, he said he is optimistic and doesn't share the "gloom and doom" attitude others espouse.

"Unity, firm resolve and ongoing dialogue are the only answer. If we, in the Western world, show no softness and tendency to yield, we'll have nothing to fear when the Soviets decide to return to the peace tables."

The dinner marked the completion of the B'nai Torah building expansion which culminated after 1½ years of construction and a successful fund raising campaign.

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The new wing, to be called the Willowdale Community Centre, includes a social hall [where this dinner was held], a study hall, youth room, library, a bridal suite, offices and a mikveh.

This expansion was made possible by a $210,000 Wintario capital grant provided by the provincial government in addition to private donations.

B'nai Torah, an Orthodox congregation, is noted for its efforts to integrate Russian Jewish families and caters to over 1,000 children and youth per week.

Among the politicians present included MP James Peterson and MPP Bruce McCaffrey.

Others involved in the proceedings included Rabbi Raphael Marcus, spiritual leader of B'nai Torah, Paul Forman, synagogue president, Miles Halberstadt, president, Canadian Zionist Federation and Jack Kahn, dinner chairman.

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Israeli archeologist lends a hand

Surprise findings at City of David digs

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TORONTO —

"I know many people think of archeology from what they learned with Raiders of the Lost Ark — it's a nice movie, but it has nothing to do with archeology."

So said Dr. Yigal Shiloh, head of the Institute of Archeology at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, in a lecture and slide presentation recently before a capacity audience at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, sponsored by Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University and the Society for Mediterranean Studies.

Shiloh is also director of the City of David digs, which, as he said, "have become famous not because of what we found there but because of what we didn't find there." This was a reference to Area G of the digs, claimed by ultra-Orthodox groups to be the site of a medieval Jewish cemetery.

Yigal Shiloh

The slides described the City of David digs, which have, over many seasons now, shown layers of civilization going back to the 3rd millenium.

Shiloh said shekels made of stone have been found in the area, some of which weigh less than they were supposed to. He said this provides proof of the kind of short-changing of customers railed against by the prophet Isaiah.

In addition, he said, over 1,300 different types of animal bones have been discovered in the various layers of the ruins.

Shiloh was in Toronto to help local archeology buff Cliff Goldfarb with the production of a film about the digs. Goldfarb spoke briefly at the meeting, which was chaired by Lawrence Troster, assistant rabbi at Beth Tzedec Synagogue.

Shiloh is aided in his work by a staff of 30 and hundreds of volunteers from abroad, some from Toronto.

A day earlier, at a luncheon of the young leadership group of the Toronto chapter of Canadian Friends of Hebrew University, he spoke warmly of the important cross-cultural ties between his department and colleagues and friends in Canada.

At the luncheon, after an introduction by Marvin Scharf, Shiloh described archeology as "our charter in Israel. We are doing a multi-disciplinary job today, building up the whole story of the cities, the state, our civilization, other civilizations."

Shiloh praised Hebrew University Chancellor Avraham Harman as "a crusader in the fight against political intervention in science, research and freedom of research," an apparent reference to the debates in Israel over the Area G digs.

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Sports event continues to grow

Johnny Bench scores big at BB celebrity dinner

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — With more than 950 tickets sold, the 33rd annual B'nai B'rith Sports Celebrity Dinner here was the biggest and most successful ever, according to chairman Ian Yanover, reversing last year's temporary setback.

The dinner that began in the social hall of the Jewish Community Centre and honors the Hamilton Spectator's high school athletes of the year has been steadily outgrowing halls until it finally moved to the new Hamilton Convention Centre three years ago, and tickets for Viceroy Reading Lodge's biggest annual fund raising event practically sell themselves.

Among area sports fans the eagerly awaited dinner has built up a solid reputation for bringing in the best and most popular sports figures on the continent and last year's "little bounce downward," as Yanover termed it at the time, only reflected the severity of the economic recession here.

Heading this year's lineup of headtable guests was former Cincinnati Reds catcher and baseball legend Johnny Bench, who proved to be the hit of the evening as he recalled his own early days and had some words of advice for the young high school athletes.

Also at the headtable were Pittsburgh Steeler all-star Franco Harris, Harvard Crimson hockey coach Bill Cleary Jr., Blue Jays manager Bobby Cox and, representing the local scene, Tiger Cat head coach Al Bruno, young racehorse owner Bobby Waxman and 23-year-old Alan Megarry of Burlington, who was a member of the Canada I team in last summer's America's Cup yacht races.

The only two women at the headtable were Linda Thom of Ottawa, a member of the Canadian Olympic pistol shooting team, and Karen Fekete of Welland, a top harness driver and trainer.

In her red blazer, tall, slim and vivacious Thom stood out among the guests at the afternoon media reception at the Royal Connaught Hotel.

"I'm on two ranges," she laughed as she revealed she's not only a champion markswoman but one of Ottawa's top gourmet chefs and caterers.

In world competition from 1970 to 1974, she put away her pistols, married a senior civil servant and had two children, took a Cordon Bleu cooking course during a 3-year posting to Paris, and established a cooking school in Ottawa before returning to the shooting range last year to fulfil a childhood dream of taking part in the Olympics.

Back in town for the occasion from his winter retreat in Florida was a proudly beaming Saul Smurlick, founder of the dinner. In contrast to the gala affair at the Convention Centre, way back in the old days at the JCC it was his mother who had done the cooking!

Now there's a new generation of young members "learning the trade," as Yanover put it. The son of broadcaster Paul Hanover, a past president of Viceroy Reading Lodge, former dinner chairman and emcee for almost all of the dinner's 33 years, Ian Yanover learned it at his father's knee.

No firm decision has yet been reached regarding this year's proceeds but most likely, said Yanover, they will be put towards establishing a library in honor of past dinner chairmen.

Past Viceroy Reading Lodge projects have included hospital equipment such as a respiratory care unit and dialysis equipment, an audio-vascular testing machine, an opthalmological examination room and a residential assessment and treatment centre for disturbed children.

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High cholesterol count increases heart attack risk

By TAMMY KAROL

TORONTO — Reducing cholesterol — a fatty substance in the blood — lowers the risk of heart attack, according to the results of a decade-long study.

Results of the 3,806 middle-aged men across North America who participated in the experiment including 600 in Canada, were recently unveiled at the University of Toronto, McMaster University in Hamilton and at the National Institute of Health in Bethesda, Md.

Present at the U of T briefing was project director and endocrinologist Dr. Alick Little and four Toronto area participants involved in the study.

Others included Valerie McGuire, a nutritionist at St. Michael's Hospital and Dr. George Steiner, head of endocrinology and metabolics at the U of T.

Since 1972, the Coronary Primary Prevention Trial has been conducted at St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto General Hospital, and the Hamilton General Hospital.

The principal project of the Lipid Research Clinic Program, it was carried out under auspices of the department of medicine at the U of T and McMaster in collaboration with the U.S. National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute. In Canada the program was supported by the Ontario Heart Foundation.

More than 10 million heart attacks occur yearly in the U.S. and in direct health care costs, lost wages and productivity CHD (coronary heart disease) costs Americans more than $60 billion a year.

Studies have shown that the higher the blood cholesterol level or its main component, low density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-cholesterol), the greater the risk of developing coronary heart disease. Cholesterol levels have been linked to CHD by many research studies, including those done on animals.

To find volunteers, the cholesterol levels of 436,739 men across North America were taken and 3,806 of them aged 35-59 were chosen for the study. The participants had no clinical evidence of CHD at entry and were divided into two groups.

Dr. Alick Little

Both groups were put on a reduced cholesterol diet. One was given a cholesterol - lowering drug, cholestyramine resin, while the other was given a placebo. All the men were monitored for an average of 7.4 years.

The study was double blind in that neither the participants taking the study nor the staff members at the clinics who were providing treatment, were aware which treatment the participants were receiving. Only staff at the project's coordinating centre and members of the Safety and Data Monitoring Board had that information.

Results of the study proved that the cholesterol - lowering diet produced an immediate reduction in cholesterol in both groups, but in the final analysis there was a correlation between the cholesterol reduction and the reduction in risk.

An 11% cholesterol reduction produced a 19% reduction in non-fatal heart attacks among the group taking the cholesterol-reducing drug and a 24% lower rate of heart disease than the placebo group.

The trial findings can be recommended for the estimated 100,000-200,000 middle-aged Canadian men with cholesterol levels above 265 milligrams/decilitre, according to Dr. Little, but the findings, he adds, should be extended to younger men with high blood cholesterol, since this would allow intervention at an earlier stage in the development of the atherosclerotic process.

Women with high blood cholesterol and anyone with cholesterol levels over 240 mill/dcl. could also benefit, he said.

According to Dr. Steiner, everyone should have cholesterol levels checked every five years and those with high-risk levels should follow a diet prescribed by a doctor.

Little noted that the drug cholestyramine isn't necessarily the first line of attack but should be tried if a person still has high cholesterol after modifying diet, excess weight, stopping smoking and increasing exercise.

Dr. Josephine Bird of St. Michael's Hospital says that blood cholesterol tests should be done during annual checkups to find out if you are in the high-risk group. "If your cholesterol is too high you should go on a diet with 200 mg. of cholesterol a day (the average is 450) and decrease your total intake of fats by 30 to 40%," she said.

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Tom Kneebone as Noel Coward and Darcy Dunlop as Gertrude Lawrence in Noel and Gertie now playing at the Theatre-In-The-Dell.

Versatile actors make Noel and Gertie shine at Theatre-in-the-Dell

By BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

Noel and Gertie has settled in for a long run at Theatre-in-the-Dell (since last September) and with good reason.

Tom Kneebone and Darcy Dunlop give strong performances as Noel Coward and Gertrude Lawrence. It is the willowy Miss Dunlop's debut in Toronto and what a debut! She is flawless as she glides around the stage, and she brings a certain touch of class to the scene which is often missing from cabaret shows here.

The appeal of Noel and Gertie is based as much on the story line and witty dialogue as on the familiar songs which Coward and Lawrence made famous.

It is much more than a series of skits and songs loosely strung together. For this, a good deal of credit should go to Sheridan Morley, the London drama critic who devised the production which Kneebone adapted for Theatre-in-the-Dell. The critic is an executor of the Noel Coward estate and had access to a large number of private and unpublished papers documenting the Coward-Lawrence relationship.

Something interesting

Another plus is the flair with which the show is directed and choreographed by Angela Leigh. It bounces along at a great clip and yet draws breath often enough for the audience to catch theirs.

Whether it is Dunlop arching her eyebrows, or Kneebone screwing up his face like a bad boy sent to bed, there is always something of interest going on. They are grand troupers.

The Coronation Chorale is an absolutely ripping number and the comic talents of the duo sparkle in it.

Miss Dunlop's costumes are stunning and her rendition of The Saga of Jenny is a show stopper.

Other highlights are Kneebone's fiendish Don't Put Your Daughter on the Stage Mrs. Worthington, and a clever adaptation of Mad Dogs and Englishmen in which both take part.

Arts education will be theme at conference

TORONTO —

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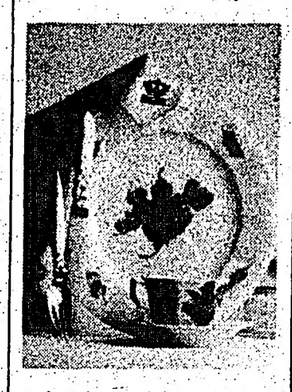

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Laura Z portrays colorful life of extraordinary woman

books

By
BERNARD BASKIN

Laura Z: A Life, by Laura Z. Hobson. Fitzhenry & Whiteside, $25.50.

In February, 1944, Congressman John Rankin of Mississippi addressed his colleagues in the House of Representatives and referred to the columnist Walter Winchell as a little kike. No one rose to offer protest. At the end of his speech there was prolonged applause.

This incident, and its implications for an America at war with Nazi Germany and presumably opposed to racial and religious prejudice, became the basis for the novel Gentleman's Agreement, one of the best- selling books in American publishing history. It sold over 2 million copies in the United States and received the Academy Award as the best film of 1947.

The author wonders, "How anti-semitic was this country, this America, these United States? Not just among the outright bigots like Congressman Rankin, Senator Bilbo, the white supremacist Father Coughlin on the radio with his following of millions for his nightly hate talks, but other people, people who'd never call anybody a kike, people who said they loathed prejudice?"

These were the question that led Laura Z. Hobson to write her famous novel. Its plot details the experiences of a young New York journalist who pretends to be Jewish for several months in order to gain inside information for a series on anti-semitism for his magazine. The target in this novel is not the professional bigot, but those genteel people who acquiesce in prejudice not realizing how deeply it exists in daily life.

Of course, the author, daughter of the first editor of the Jewish Daily Forward, had experienced anti-semitism on many previous occasions. In a revealing anecdote she tells of a professor of Greek at Cornell who kept mispronouncing her name intentionally until she protested: "Sir, if we're supposed to be able to pronounce names like Clytemnestra and Aeschylus and Iphigenia, don't you think you could say Zametkin? It's quite easy."

In a recent interview she was asked if the anti-semitism portrayed in the novel is still a problem. She responded that prejudice toward Jews is less widespread, but were the designation "Black, or Puerto Rican, or gay or Mexican-Americans" then she would leave "most everything else the same."

Coming from a secular and Socialist family, there was almost nothing of religious faith or observance in her background. But a constant awareness of her Jewish antecedents, reflected in her insistence on the initial Z in her name, is an undeniable facet of her personality.

At 84, the author of this remarkably candid autobiography (the first of two contemplated volumes) can look back on a full and protean life. She achieved the high position of director of promotion for Time Magazine — a solitary woman among 33 men, wrote nine novels, pioneered on behalf of women's rights and civil liberties and counted among her friends such movers and shakers as Sinclair Lewis, Henry and Clare Booth Luce, Ralph Ingersoll and Dorothy Thompson.

This colorful story of the first half of the life of an extraordinary woman (the book ends when she is 47) is related with unflagging zest and contagious enthusiasm.

Ben-Haim instilled strong sense of identity

Composer's works highly acclaimed

music

By
RICK KARDONNE

One of the most significant composers of the 20th century, and the definitive Jewish composer of this century in terms of Jewish musical evolutionary development, Paul Ben-Haim died Jan. 14 at his Tel Aviv home. He was 86.

Born Paul Frankenheimer in Munich, he left Germany in 1933 and settled in Tel Aviv, where he changed his name. His works were frequently performed around the world. His first major work was The Sweet Psalmist of Israel which won the Israel State Prize in 1957. Leonard Bernstein conducted the work's New York premiere in 1959.

Since then, he wrote two symphonies, a violin concerto and a capriccio for piano and orchestra (performed in Toronto by Elyakim Taussig in 1969), and many other orchestral, vocal, chamber and solo piano works.

His Friday evening service, Kabbalat Shabbat, received its New York premiere at a 1968 Philharmonic Hall concert honoring the 20th anniversary of the founding of the State of Israel.

His Sonata in G for Violin Alone, written for Yehudi Menuhin, has been widely performed.

One of his orchestra works was performed by the Israel Philharmonic when they last appeared in Toronto in May 1982, and the most recent performance of a Ben-Haim piece was that of his dynamic Toccata for piano, rendered by Shulamit Mor at a private Toronto Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation affair last October.

Paul Ben-Haim's music consistently reflected the revolutionary synthesis between the cosmopolitan innovative modernity of the mid-20th century and the eternal Hebraic musical tradition. He was the first serious composer to consciously incorporate Sephardic-Jewish as well as chassidic-Jewish motifs into a European-origin classical stylized framework.

Proudly Jewish-nationalistic and avowedly sympathetic to the forms of Jewish religious liturgy (even though himself not practicing Orthodoxy), Ben-Haim instilled a sense of strong Jewish identity which has not only characterized Israeli classical music up until today, but has, in the last 15 years, permeated the work of most serious Jewish composers throughout the world.

His immediate "disciples" in Israel include Joseph Tal, Mordecai Seter and the great choral composer Benjamin Bar-On. Maintaining Ben-Haim's distinctive synthesis in a successive generation is Tzvi Avni.

Even on a popular basis, the Ben-Haim synthesis lives on in the works of, for example, Shlomo Bar and Yigal Bashan who fuse Sephardic-Jewish classical motifs with avant-garde jazz.

While the works of Paul Ben-Haim have been fairly well known in most classical music circles, they have yet not been deservedly exposed to mass Jewish audiences save for, perhaps, Holy Blossom and Beth Tzedec.

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Eugenia Zukerman displays deep sense of security

Flautist combines music and motherhood with ease

By PATRICIA RUCKER

TORONTO —

Eugenia Zukerman is a flautist — but she uses her voice like an instrument. Speaking by phone from her New York apartment, her cadences are modulated, her diction is crystal clear, and her thoughts flow and develop with the logic of a fugue.

Her ability to shape words like musical phrases is not surprising — at 39, Zukerman is not only a renowned flautist but also a television commentator, a screenwriter and the author of an accomplished first novel, Deceptive Cadence.

She will be appearing at Massey Hall in Toronto on Feb. 23 as soloist with the Israel Chamber Orchestra, conducted by David Shallon. Her appearance is part of a season that includes performances with the Israel Philharmonic and recitals in Israel and Barbican Hall in London.

Zukerman is an enormously talented woman. But she has another dimension to her life. As the interview begins, she has just touched base with her daughters, Arianna, 11, and Natalia, 8.

How does she balance the demands of a triple-threat career with the responsibilities of motherhood?

As she talks about her feelings about music and writing, about her parents and her children (she and her husband, violinist Pinchas Zukerman, recently separated), her ability to integrate her various roles seems to come from two sources: a deep sense of security with her family and friends; and the nature of the musical experience itself.

"Music is really a constant reminder that the human spirit is very large. The more you play great music the more you find in it. It is endlessly stimulating, endlessly exhilarating, endlessly inspiring. I think because of that, there is this great joy in it.

"Music is also a great solace and a great friend. I know it has been to me in times of need. To be able to pick up an instrument and to express yourself is a great gift."

Her writing, which she does primarily for herself "whether or not I publish a thing," complements her music. "It's concerned with phrasing, with cadence, with timing. There's no way in which I would want to give up one for the other."

Eugenia Zukerman

Eugenia Rich grew up in a family of achievers. Her father, a physicist at MIT, invented sonar; her mother was a professional dancer [who gave up her career for her family] a mathematician, and is now a potter. Her older sister is a pediatric nephrologist, her younger sister, a lawyer. Both parents were accomplished amateur musicians.

Yet there was no pressure. "My parents wanted us to blossom into whatever we would blossom into. They simply gave us that wonderful sense of competence."

Although she had been studying piano, when 10-year-old Eugenia heard a flute recital, she knew what path she wanted to follow. "I was absolutely enchanted with the sound. I ran home and said 'Can I study it?'"

And study it she did, graduating from the Juilliard School and winning the Young Concert Artists Award in 1971. When her children were young, her career developed slowly but surely, as did her support system.

She has lived in New York since 1962, and "it's sort of like cave dwelling . . . there is a very warm artistic community. I have many friends who are just as busy as I am and we all help each other out, so that I think the guilt factor (in having a career) is less today than it was in my mother's day."

Her children are growing up as she and her sisters did — with a sense of their own individuality. Although Arianna plays piano and Natalia, violin, "they are very much their own people . . . both of them are very involved in theatre.

"Neither wants to be either me or their father."

Her association with the Israel Chamber Orchestra is first and foremost a professional one — "they asked for me when they were coming to North America on tour" — but her roots in Israel go deep.

Visiting there during October 1973 with a 10-month-old baby, she found the experience of war "absolutely terrifying and chilling" at first.

But then, "I was very moved by the bravery. It certainly changed something in me. I experienced the strength of others which can only make you strong."

That statement resonates with everything she said during the interview: her strength comes from her family and her music — and she is giving of her own strength to her children and her career.

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Columbus Centre — an exhibition by renowned Hungarian painter Paul Szentkuthy, runs from Feb. 12 through Feb. 17. Meet the artist Sunday, Feb. 12 from 5-9 p.m. 901 Lawrence Ave. W.

Gallery One — New paintings by Joseph Drapell through Feb. 16. 121 Scollard St. Hours: Tuesday through Saturday, 10.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Call 929-3103.

Art Club Lady by artist-composer Joe Mendelson.

Mira Goddard Gallery —Paintings from the 80s by Ron Moppett. The exhibition continues until Feb. 22. This Calgary artist was born in England and since coming to Canada in 1957, has conducted numerous 1-man and group exhibitions. 22 Hazelton Ave. Call 964-8197.

An exhibition of prints by Alex Katz continues until Feb. 15.

Market Gallery — An exhibition entitled, Toronto primitives, features artists Barbara Carroll, Rada Greg, Rajka Kupesic and Mendelson Joe.

They are gathered together under the banner of "contemporary primitives," a term used to describe a style of painting which has its roots in both Canadian and European folk art traditions.

The exhibition runs through Feb. 26. Admission is free. Hours: Wednesday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Closed Mondays, Tuesdays, civic holidays. Call 947-7604. 95 Front St. E., south of St. Lawrence Market.

Royal Ontario Museum — a series of films about famous men and women runs through Feb. 26. Entitled, Celebrity Profiles, the films are shown Sunday afternoons at 2.30 in the ROM Theatre.

Feb. 12 — Buster Keaton Rides Again; Chaplin: A Character is Born; Woody Allen: An American Comedy.

Feb. 19 — Karen Kain — Ballerina; A Dancer's World; Paul Taylor and Company: An Artist and His Work.

Feb. 26 — Antonia: A Portrait of a Woman; Love it Like a Fool: A Film About Malvina Reynolds; Marilyn Monroe.

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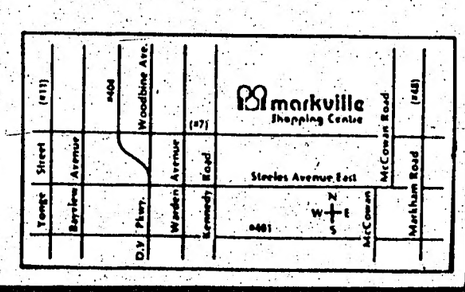

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Travel

Rio For Ever most popular tour

South America market excites travel agent

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

From Akko in Israel to Rio in Brazil may seem like a giant leap in any man's lifetime.

But not to Amnon Lev-Mor, a freckle-faced, Akko-born travel titan of 37, who spans continents casually as though striding in seven league boots.

An economics graduate of Hebrew University, he is owner of Sabra Tours Ltd. at 286 Wilson Ave. (telephone 638-7542).

This year he has booked 10 Canadian group tours to Israel.

But a good chunk of his business will also come from his growing number of Canadian tours with destinations set for Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Aires.

"This is the second year that Sabra has gone into the South American travel market," Lev-Mor was saying in an interview last week. "Believe me, it's an exciting new ball game. And an increasing number of Canadian travelers agree with me."

He estimates that about one-third of his clients who have discovered the holiday wonders of South America are Jewish.

"A growing number of them are going there because of its enhanced dollar value, as a result of the recent devaluation of the currency of Brazil and Argentina," he said.

Amnon Bar-Lev, managing director of Sabra Tours Toronto, welcomes travelers to Rio and South America destinations. [Ronny Shinder photo]

In Buenos Aires, he said, a Canadian could get an excellent steak dinner for two with wine for $10. A pair of top quality leather shoes for women can be bought for $25, and a full-length nutria fur coat for $300. A stylish leather jacket for men can be purchased for as little at $40.

The most popular of his Sabra Tours, called "Rio For Ever," is selling for as little as $1,190 Canadian per person. It's a 14-day trip that includes your round trip flight out of Toronto via Aerolineas Argentinas, hotel accommodations, a tour of Rio, and what he terms a "huge daily Israeli-style breakfast."

He's also packaging, for $1,695, a "Best of Two Worlds" tour that includes six nights in Rio and four nights in Buenos Aires.

He is currently organizing a 2-week February tour of both countries — which also takes in Iguazu Falls, Sao Paulo and Mar Del Plata — for a group of 20 Jewish business executives.

"It will cost them $4,000 each because they've asked me to book the best of everything — deluxe hotels, night clubs, restaurants," he says.

"That's particularly easy to arrange in Buenos Aires, which has been called 'the Paris of South America.' But Rio, with its endless beaches at Ipanema and Copacabana and its famous mardi gras, also delivers the goods."

Both cities have large Jewish communities, he points out, and he is ready to oblige those who wish to eat kosher food on the entire tour.

Lev-Mor, who came to Canada in 1977 and acquired Sabra in 1983, thinks he has discovered for himself the best of professions. His wife, Ruth, who teaches at the Bialik School, agrees with him when he announces regularly to her:

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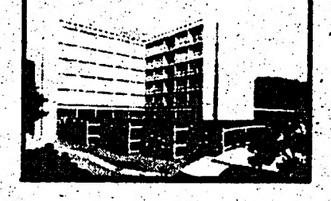

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Europe, Israel offer a cornucopia of events

By JAMES MONTAGNES

Canadian, British and American troops landed near Cherbourg, France, 40 years ago to start the offensive to end World War II.

The Normandy landings took place in June of 1944 and on June 5, 6 this year, the event will be marked at a number of ceremonies in Normandy, with some 3,000 Canadians expected to participate.

This is one of the major events taking place this year in which Canadians are interested.

There are many other tourist events scheduled in Europe and Israel.

In late March and lasting for almost two months, the greatest flower show in Holland starts at Keukenhof near Lisse, half-way between The Hague and Amsterdam. In a 50-acre landscaped park are tens of thousands of spring flowers, tulips, hyacinths, daffodils, in the open air and in huge greenhouses.

En route to the Keukenhof show, whether you travel by car or train from the main cities, you pass by an entire countryside of spring flowers in bloom.

In Jerusalem, Israel's famous Jerusalem Festival starts on May 18 for a month with street parades, musical and theatrical performances by local and international artists.

The festival will be at various historic locations in the city with performances during afternoons and evenings. Included will be dancers from Japan, theatrical actors from Poland, Denmark, England, Spain and the United States.

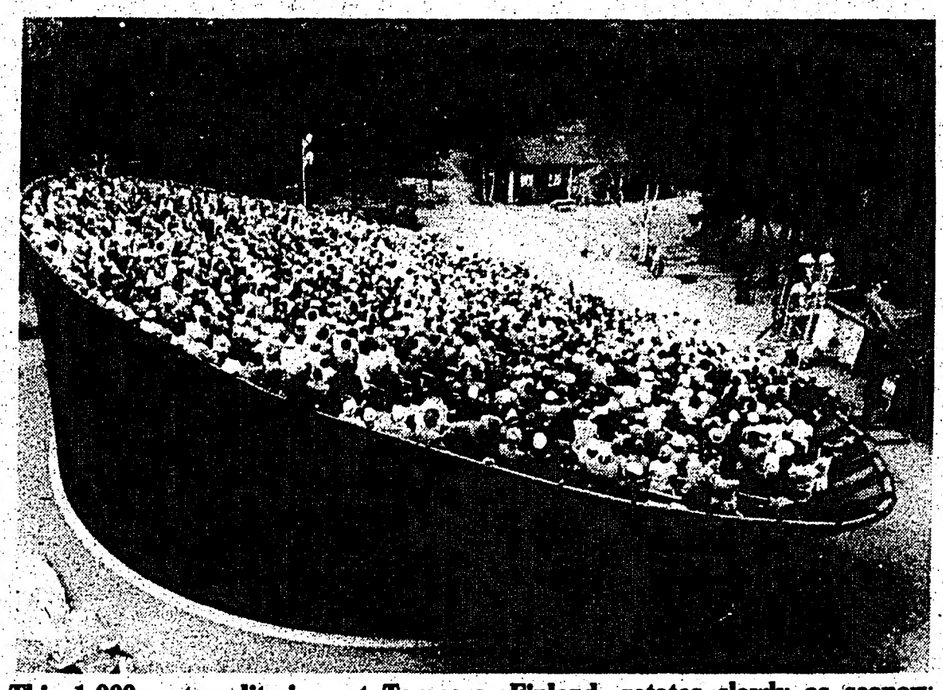
Major horse racing events in Great Britain will include the Grand National steeplechase at Aintree, Liverpool, March 29 to 31; Newmarket 1,000- and 2,000-Guinea races March 3 and 5 respectively; the Derby at Epsom on June 6; the Ulster Harp Derby in County Down on July 13; and the Royal Ascot in Berkshire on June 19 to 22, the big social affair of the racing season.

Trooping the Colors on Queen Elizabeth's official birthday is slated for June 16 at the Horse Guards Parade in London. The famous Henley Regatta at Henley-on-Thames is the world's premier sculling event June 28 to July 1.

The Shakespearean Theatre Season at Stratford-on-Avon starts in March and lasts till next January. The Royal International Music Eisteddfod at Llangollen, Wales, is from July 3 to 8.

The city of Trier in Germany this year marks its 2,000th anniversary with festivities throughout the calendar year. There will be a Mozart Festival of Music at Augsburg, Germany, from May 6 to 23. Salzburg, Austria, will have its Mozart Festival from late July to late August. An International Music Festival will be at Vienna, Austria, from May 20 to June 17.

Switzerland will have a carnival at Basel March 12 to 14 and a National Gymnastic Festival June 14 to 17 at Winterthur. If you want to hear some Swiss yodeling come to the Federal Yodeling Festival at St. Gall July 6 to 8.



This 1,000-seat auditorium at Tampere, Finland, rotates slowly as scenery changes in outdoor theatre.

At Prague, Czechoslovakia, the Spring Music Festival starts on May 12, the anniversary of the death of Czech composer Frederick Smetana, with the playing of his symphonic poem My Country. The festival lasts 24 days.

Finland's music festivals start in June and run throughout the summer, some indoors and some in outdoor amphitheatres in forest settings.

Among them will be a Jazz Festival at Pori in mid-July, and about the same time a Folk Music Festival at Kaustinen with performers from countries where Finns have settled. The Lahti International Organ Festival is at this resort community in the lakeland country.

Ireland has its Cork Coral and Folk Dance Festival May 2 to 6 with concerts and choir competitions. This is the centenary of the birth of tenor John McCormack and there will be special concerts to his memory in June at Dublin.

The Festival of Music in Great Irish Houses is at Dublin June 8 to 16 with classical music. The big Irish social event is the Dublin Horse Show, Aug. 7 to 11.

There will be Sound and Light Performance at Athens, Rhodes and Corfu in Greece from April to October with music and narration in these historic cities.

The Epidaurus Festival, June to September, will consist of ancient Greek theatricals performed outdoors in ancient amphitheatres built more than 2,000 years ago and seating 14,000 persons, without use of amplifiers.

If you know ancient Greek you'll be able to follow the plays — if not, there will be English summaries available, as this travel reporter learned when attending the festival a few years ago.

You certainly get the impression you are back in ancient times, sitting on stone seats — with foam cushions — in a forest atmosphere.

Sunny Isles shul a boost for tourism

TORONTO —

Tourism in Sunny Isles, that area from 156th St. in North Miami Beach up to the Broward line, was heading for another dismal year in 1983.

But that was before Rabbi Rubin Dobrin found a solution — an Orthodox synagogue.

His idea seems to be paying off as the Young Israel Synagogue of Sunny Isles has turned into a tourist draw. The congregation, which meets at 17480 Collins Ave. is headed by the retired rabbi, who says since it opened, people from all over Canada and the northeast states have been coming.

"They've just never had an Orthodox synagogue in this area before, Dobrin says.

To spread the word that it was opening, Dobrin sent out a flock of notices to both Canadian-Jewish and American-Jewish newspapers.

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By PHYLLIS KRASILOVSKY

LONDON —

The least well known hotel in London doesn't look like a hotel at all and should win a prize for British understatement.

The red-bricked, white-columned Georgian Britannia is one of the city's 18 best. By next year, when the rooms are completely renovated and air-conditioning is installed under its new Inter-Continental ownership, it is bound to move up to the top 10.

The 444-room Britannia's most notable asset is its prime location in the heart of Mayfair, with a preponderance of London's main attractions within walking distance. Pounds saved on taxi fares could pay for at least one overnight, or for tickets to several plays in nearby Picadilly.

The hotel is flanked by the American embassy on the left and the Canadian embassy on the right in Grosvenor Square.

Guests can look directly out at the Franklin Delano Roosevelt memorial statue in the midst of a lovely green park.

A walk across the park leads to fashionable Brook St. and thus to Moulton Lane, presently the "in" place for strollers who like to combine boutique shopping with refreshing people-watching pauses at outdoor cafes.

Sunny weather brings classical street musicians as well as crowds to the colonial-style mall, which makes it a very pleasant place to be.

For more intense shopping, Oxford St. is just two blocks away, marked by Selfridge's, the first of many department stores in the area.

Heading left, one runs into Marble Arch and Hyde Park, a showpiece of London's public domain.

Miles of perfect green lawn stretch in the park as far as the eye can see, but with such wonderful distractions as a boating lake whose banks are punctuated with placid ducks and swans which are not averse to being fed bread crumbs.

A large pavilion with an indoor snack bar and outdoor terraces overlooking the lake is a perfect place to linger while watching Londoners at play. Young rosy-cheeked school boys in crested sweaters, short pants and high socks are bound to be kicking a soccer ball around on one of the perfect nearby lawns, and there are smart looking horsemen to glimpse as they canter along the park's trotting trail.

English mothers airing beautiful babies in prams, and homburg-sporters with umbrellas who look like a small contingent of diplomatic attaches may cross your path on the way to Park Lane.

Study royal jewels

The choices of the Britannia's nearby attractions are downright staggering. The essence of London's highlights can be captured without ever hailing a taxi at all! Even Buckingham Palace with its famed Changing of the Guards ceremony, is within easy reach.

If it rains, you can saunter over to the Victoria and Albert Museum to study the royal jewels, amongst other myriads of treasure.

The National Gallery? The famous fountain in Trafalgar Square? The British Museum? They're all accessible by foot from the Britannia. Just remember to bring along the map which is presented with the burglar-proof digital key card.

And don't forget that Hyde Park Corner is the place to be on Sunday when a motley assortment of speakers climb on their soap boxes to orate on a variety of interesting, humorous topics and grievances.

A flea market/art show comprised of small stalls lining the park also comes to life on Sundays and may inspire the purchase of unusual souvenirs to take home.

The Britannia attracts international guests, with a preponderance of American and UK businessmen, as well as Europeans and Japanese. It is also a favorite with bankers and foreign ministers.

Emphasis is on great service and good guest relations. When a recent visitor broke her eyeglass frame, the guest relations manager had it fixed by the hotel's chief engineer in a trice.

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Hawkers of roasted chestnuts revive fond memories of Big A

By
SHEILA DROPKIN

NEW YORK —

The snow was swirling all around us, the wind was blowing and the best way to walk was with your head down. Nevertheless, my daughter and I were so delighted to be back in New York, that we braved the winter's storm to try strolling down Fifth Ave. (Just as I had hoped, the sun was out by mid-afternoon and the remainder of the weekend was mild and comfortable.)

We had walked only two or three blocks when a familiar and delicious aroma overwhelmed me . . . the smoke and smell of roasting chestnuts. I really don't like to eat them, mind you, but I do love that scent — particularly, I guess, because it brings me back to my childhood in New York when chestnut and roasted sweet potato vendors were the winter scene stealers and the Good Humor Man the person we followed all summer long.

Most visitors to the Big Apple realize that it's a city devoted to eating . . . it boasts gourmet food shops written and wondered about in cities and countries thousands of miles away, restaurants at every price level possible serving every imaginable type of cuisine and an army of movable food dispensers that clog the streets and fill the air with a variety of smells that mix and match with the car, bus and subway exhausts.

The restaurants and retail stores remain open the year 'round, of course. They only have to change from air conditioning to heating as the seasons progress. But what about the outdoor food carts? Do they fold their wheels and fade away in some dark and dreary basement until the sun shines warmly again or do they bare themselves to the harassment of the chilling wind, blowing snow and freezing dampness that is winter in New York?

The answer is "yes and yes." Most of the carts that dispense such summer perennials as ice cream, frozen yogurt, frozen tofu and salads are locked away, ready to emerge at the first signs of spring. After all, who wants to march through the slush eating something even colder than chattering teeth? Another consideration is the fact that most of these carts are manned (personned?) by students unable or unwilling to get other summer jobs, and except for the occasional weekend, they're unavailable during the school year.

Blow on frostbitten fingers

But even in the cold, the chestnut, pretzel, mixed nuts and hot dog vendors line the streets of New York, plying their wares while stomping their freezing feet and blowing on frostbitten fingers.

The chestnut man was holding his hands over the fire, no doubt reveling in its warmth. He had a scarf wound tightly around his head and wore knitted half-gloves, with the tips of his fingers sticking out so he could count his customers' change more easily. Unfortunately, the afternoon we passed his cart, he didn't seem to be doing any business.

But as the wet weather settled down and the air cleared, more and more carts began appearing all-along Fifth Ave. and the streets running east and west.

Again giving in to nostalgia, I stopped to buy a large soft, salted pretzel. To my dismay, it cost $1 and the tin of lemonade my daughter wanted was 90 cents, but we bought them anyways.

To make matters worse, the pretzel wasn't nearly as good as I remembered and I took only a few small bites. And then to make me even more unhappy, we passed another cart on 52nd St. where pretzels were selling for 50 cents each!

My daughter is a more careful shopper than her mother and compared prices at several carts for her favorite nosh, pistachio nuts. She finally bought half a pound for $3 and then passed another vendor selling them at $4 per pound.

Oh well, who wants to worry about a few cents while on vacation? As the man weighed my daughter's pistachios, I ventured to ask why he worked at this trade — when he would freeze in the winter, melt in the summer and never would have any guarantee of an income.

"I've been doing this for a lotta years, lady," he told me. "I don't know anything else. Besides, it's my own business. If it's too cold, who says I hafta stay outside? I stay home and wait for a better day. And you'd be surprised at how much money I make with the rig." Could he be a bookie on the side?

As we walked on, we were tempted by the hot dog cart and the shashlik maker, but sore feet and runny noses made us opt for another New York favorite, the Stage Delicatessen. Even though we reached it after 2.30 p.m., there was a long lineup for seats and we had to wait about 15 minutes for a share of a table.

There's no such thing as privacy at the Stage . . . especially on a holiday weekend.

The pastrami sandwich was $5.50 and the chopped liver appetizer about the same price. But do you know what? They were even better than I remembered!

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Berger ranks in top 10 of world

Manitoba names judo champion athlete of year

sports scene

By GARY COHEN

Mark Berger, Canadian super heavyweight judo champion, was recently named Manitoba's Male Athlete of the Year for 1983 by the Manitoba Sportswriters and Sportscasters Association.

The award was announced at the MSSA's 28th annual dinner held late last month in Winnipeg.

Berger, who until last week was training with the national team in France preparing for the Olympic Games in August, was not on hand to personally receive the award.

A Russian-born Jew, Berger is ranked among the top 10 super heavyweight judo athletes in the world. Along with his Canadian title, the part-time Winnipeg school teacher is also a Pan Am and Maccabiah Games gold medalist who has competed in and won numerous international meets throughout the world.

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The Jewish Community Centre has recently introduced boxing classes for teens between the ages of 13-18 which run every Tuesday and Thursday night from 7-9 p.m. at the JCC's northern branch.

What makes the classes especially interesting is the man who is running them. Boris Gitman, currently a staffer in the Centre's physical education department, is the former Soviet Olympic boxing coach whose fighters performed so well at the 1976 Games in Montreal.

A thoughtful, accomplished teacher and former fighter, Gitman (the subject of an upcoming Sports Scene feature) is one of the most successful amateur boxing coaches in history.

The fee for 10 weeks of classes at the JCC is $15. For more information contact Gitman at 636-1880.

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Andrea Leand of Brooklandville, Md. recently defeated Pascale Paradis of France 0-6, 6-2, 6-4 to collect $7,000 and win the Virginia Slims Ginny tennis tournament held in Pittsburgh.

The match, played at the suburban Greentree Racquet Club, marked the first professional final appearance for both players and an attempt by Leand, 20, the tourney's fifth seed, to reenter the ranks of the world's top 20 women tennis players.

Leand was down 3-4, love-40, in the third and deciding set of the final before stringing together some strong first serves and passing shot winners to take the match.

"My ranking slipped to No. 48 due to losses and factors I was aware of but didn't know how to handle," Leand said after the match.

She added that with the help of new coaching, she is ready to try to recapture her 1982 standing. That season she was the female circuit's rookie of the year and managed to crack the top 20 rankings.

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Outstanding Jewish golfer Amy Alcott of the U.S. recently finished nine strokes off the pace to place 20th and collect $1,753 at the Deer Creek Classic Golf Tournament held in Deerfield Beach, Fla.

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Toronto Freedom Lodge Team Mates scored a stunning 2-0 upset win over Forrestdale Big Steel Man last week to tighten the race in the B'nai B'rith hockey league's A Division standings.

Team Mates' goaltender Dean Gangbar kept a lid on the high-scoring division leaders to hand Forrestdale only its second loss of the season.

Coupled with Toronto Freedom Whalers 4-2 victory over Canyon Satellites sparked by two goals and an assist from Stuart Himmel, Forrestdale's lead over the charging Whalers has been whittled down to a slim single point margin.

In last week's BI Division action, Larry Wolfman scored twice and set up a pair to pace Toronto Freedom Blue Notes to a 5-3 decision over Leonard Mayzel Black Hawks; Bob Toman scored two goals and Jeff Gordon added the winner as Toronto Freedom Feathers dumped the slumping Black Hawks 4-3.

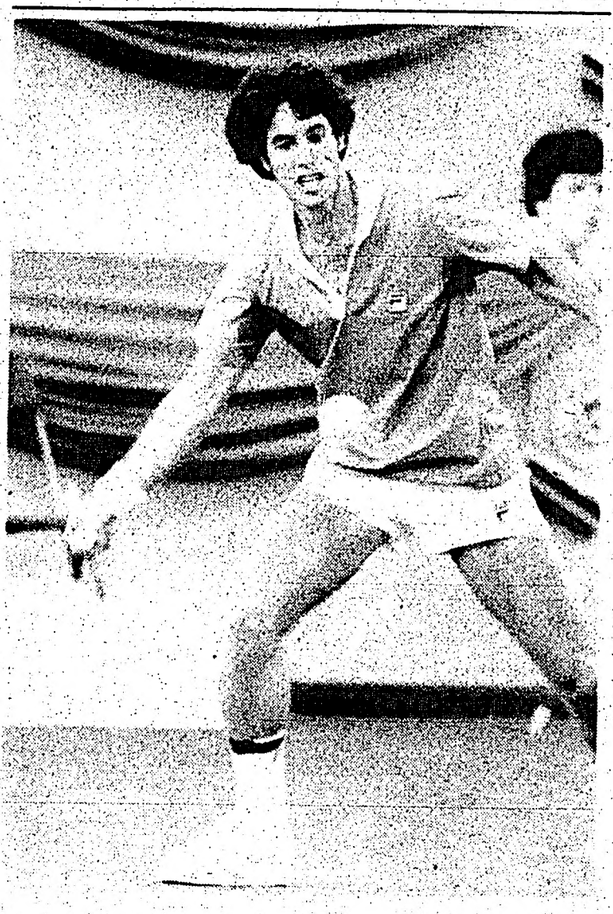
The division-leading Feathers chalked a 6-2 victory over Don Mills Wasters with 2-goal support from both Sandy Brensil and Richard Cooper.

Lenny Natcher scored twice for Canyon Kings and John Schacter collected a pair of goals including the equalizer for Maccabiah Red Wings as the two clubs played to a 5-5 draw; Paul Weingarten registered the shutout and Lloyd Perlmutter chipped in with two goals as Toronto Freedom Realtors blanked Don Mills Axemen 3-0; and Lenny Gelband, Rick Greenberg and Jay Granatstein each had a pair of markers to lead Axemen past Wasters 8-1.

In BII Division, Mike Weingarten's third period goal lifted Forrestdale Sting to a 3-3 tie against Canyon Crush; Allan Weiss sparkled between the pipes and Jeff Zoltak struck for two goals as Forrestdale Flyers stopped Manor Metropolitan Wolverines 4-0; and Howard Render netted the winner as the steadily improving Leonard Mayzel Red Hawks skated past Upper Canada Bruins 3-1.

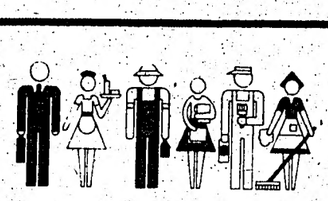
In C Division results, Toronto Freedom Refiners scored a 1-0 default win over Maccabiah Weiss Guys; Ron Kimmel scored both TFL markers as Refiners and Maccabiah Bruins played to a 2-2 draw; Steve Bloom's goal gave Toronto Freedom Ultis a 3-3 tie with Forrestdale Blades who got a pair of scores from Jeff Cohen.

Goaltender Danny Meghory was solid as Ultis blanked Toronto Freedom Minors 2-0; Larry Myers had three goals and Stephen Binder added a pair to support goalie John Daniels as Refiners clogged Toronto Freedom Plumbers offence for a 7-0 win; and six different players scored to lead Don Mills Princes over Bruins 6-3.



NICE TRY

Eliot Teltscher of the U.S. advanced to the quarter-final round at the recent U.S. Pro Indoor Tennis Championships in Philadelphia before losing 6-3, 1-6, 6-2 to France's Yannick Noah. Other Jewish players did not fare as well. Harold Solomon, Brian Gottfried and Aaron Krickstein were all 2nd-round fatalities. Only Ben Testerman of Knoxville, Tenn. went farther, scoring an upset over No. 7 seed Gene Mayer before falling in straight sets to Poland's Wojtek Fibak in the 3rd round. John McEnroe won the tourney with a win over Ivan Lendl.



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Business Outlook

RRSP deposits can rise above $5,500 limit

By
MURRAY SHERR and BUNNY BERGSTEIN

Q. A friend told me that he was making an RRSP deposit to his wife for $5,500 and that he will also contribute $6,800 for himself for 1983. I always thought that $5,500 was the maximum allowed in one year. His wife does not work. How can this be? Can you tell me if it is right?

A. A bit more information would be useful. However, if you will allow us the licence to presume to fill in some missing parts, we will try to explain.

Yes, your friend can make two RRSP deposits totaling $12,300 for 1983. He can, if he earned $27,500 or more, deposit up to $5,500 or 20%, whichever is the lesser, to a spousal plan. The income tax receipt for this deposit will be sent to him and reduce his taxable income.

In addition, and here is the assumption, your friend is over age 65, and received Canada Pension Plan and Old Age Pension that together totaled $6,800 for 1983. Or he may have received a pension from work that exceeds $7,800.

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Way to defer taxes

The rollover of the pensions is a very useful way to defer taxes, but care should be taken not to over-contribute beyond the point that tax is no longer reduced.

Q. My son is age 28, and married. I have been after him to invest in RRSPs, but he is reluctant. Can you please outline the reasons that he should start young.

A. This is a very interesting question that has two answers. Yes, if your son is earning money and paying income tax, an investment in an RRSP will save current tax. At the same time, if you consider that $1,000 invested at 10%, compounded annually, tax free, for seven years grows to $2,000 and that by his age 65, he will have more than $34,000 from it, it seems silly not to purchase an RRSP as early as possible.

However, at age 28, his career is still very new. He is trying to build an occupation, practice or business. Retirement, in his mind, is a lifetime away. Yet, ahead of him are such things as the purchase of a house, travel, school for your grandchildren, a car and perhaps furnishing the house. In what order do his priorities fall? It would not surprise us that retirement is not near the top of the list.

May we suggest that he invests in a Registered Home Ownership Plan first and then consider the RRSP?

Q. During 1983, I received income from Canada Pension Plan, Old Age Pension and from an RRSP annuity. Can I transfer all of the total of these three to a new RRSP before the end of February?

A. The Canada Pension Plan and Old Age Pension may be received during the calendar year and then the total of both amounts can be contributed to a new RRSP for 1983 taxation year. This is called a 60J rollover. Revenue Canada, Taxation form T2097 will have to be completed and filed with your income tax form in April.

The RRSP annuity, however, is a different matter. In order to have the total of the year's payments go to your RRSP, you must arrange, in advance for the payments to be transferred from the annuity carrier to the RRSP carrier on a direct basis. This requires the completion of a Revenue Canada form T2033(E) when the first check is sent by the annuity company.

If you did not make this arrangement, but received the income directly, then the best you can do is to count the total income from the annuity as "earned income" and deposit 20%, or a maximum of $5,500 back to your RRSP.

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ACCOMMODATION WANTED

Business woman requires room, kitchen privileges. Beginning April. Mrs. Gluck, 5788 Mapleridge, Montreal, H4W 1B3. 514-489-6935 evenings.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Silverbirch Lodge is open again. For further information call 635-1697.

Jewish Community Directory of Greater Toronto, 1984 edition. Details: Jewish Information Service, 635-5600.

Goldhaber Jewellery & Sudman Jewellery, Israel, announce their merger. 633A Bloor West, 532-7208. European master. Specialist hand-made jewellery.

SOCIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Felix Brand & Zipporah Devor Eidlitz are happy to announce they were married January 24, 1984.

APARTMENTS FOR RENT

Bathurst-Wilson. Furnished 1 bedroom basement. Carpeted. Non-smoker. 633-3395.

ARTICLES FOR SALE

Breakfront, custommade in Spain. Light walnut with bronze trim, 7' x 6'6½", $2,000. Antique Viennese Console, opens into card table (3'1" x 1'6" closed) plus 2 green velvet antique European chairs. $1,000. 636-7310 days. 636-5267 evenings.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

A well established progressive firm of Chartered Accountants wishes to associate with a semi-retired or planning to retire accountant in public practice. Please write to Box 6664, CJN, 562 Eglinton Ave. E., Ste. 401, Toronto, Ont. M4P 1P1.

CONDOMINIUMS FOR SALE

Private sale. Yonge-Steeles. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, North/East corner, 10th floor, with or without appliances. Best offer. Days 738-2220, evenings 226-4876.

Elegant 1,300 sq. feet, 2 bedroom, corner suite, air-conditioning, wraparound balcony. Separate diningroom, large master bedroom with 4 piece bathroom & vanity. Ensuite laundry room & large custom storage cabinets. $124,900. 665-2464.

SKYMARK

SKYMARK — ZENITH

• Altair model — exclusive listing. Bright 2-bedroom + sunroom, 2 baths, 2 parking + extras.

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• Galaxy model, exclusive listing, corner, upgraded, 2 bdrms. + family, 2 parking + extras.

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SKYMARK — II

• Everest model — outstanding upgraded 1,700 sq. ft., S. exposure, lots of extras, a must-view. The Skymark specialist, Mr. Santee Leung, (416) 441-2003.

Santee Realty Inc.

CONDOMINIUMS FOR SALE

A.E. LePAGE
REAL ESTATE SERVICES LTD • REALTOR

THE ATRIUM
⅔ Bedroom + 200 square feet. Florida room. Steps to Sheppard subway. $162,900. Lindy Totty 424-4900.

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LUXURY SPLIT-LEVEL
360 Bloor-Rosedale ravine view. 2 bedroom, 3 baths, 24-hour security, recreation facilities. $195,000. Val Shaw 424-4900.

***3000 BATHURST ADULT BUILDING**
— Fantastic 2 bedroom & den, huge living & dining room, ceramic floors, broadloom, verticals, faces west. Must be seen to appreciate.
— 2 bedroom, appliances, large eat-in kitchen with window. Priced to sell.
— Rental, low floor — 2 + den, appliances. Available May 1.
MIRIAM ROSE
494-5300/482-1978
REALTY LAND INC. RLTR.

Willing to exchange luxurious 3 bedroom 2 bath Toronto Condo for house in Toronto. 487-9545.

COTTAGES WANTED TO RENT

Roches Point — Balfour Beach area. Wanted: Cottage to rent for month or season in the area served by Camp Katonim. 789-1759.

DOMESTIC HELP AVAILABLE

Babysitting available immediately for 2 preschoolers. Live-out. Andrea 787-9328.

Home Helpers
A better choice of housekeepers, nannies, mother's helpers and nursing companions. Each personally interviewed and references checked.
2 Carlton Street, #1403
596-0855

Babysitters from Philippines available for sponsorship. We will provide a French Canadian girl to cover the waiting period. Reasonable rates. The Philippino Connection 363-9578.

Certified Health Care Aid seeks private employment. Call Rose. 291-1380, 820-7758.

Reliable girl [20] Hebrew + English speaking, seeks position with kids (no housework) for nice family. Live-out. 477-3521.

Young Polish lady seeks work cleaning houses or apts. 265-7398.

For the best cleaning job on fridges, stoves, carpets, windows, fabrics & floors. Limited time offer, livingroom, diningroom, hall carpets cleaned - only $49.50. All employees bonded and insured. White Glove Maid Services 638-7095.

DOMESTIC HELP WANTED

Wanted — Companion for elderly lady. 789-3180.

DOMESTIC HELP WANTED

Responsible babysitter wanted for afternnons. 665-2649. No Saturday calls.

Person to help with shopping & some cooking, living in Bathurst-Baycrest area. 781-5751.

Live-in housekeeper required for elderly gentleman in Ottawa. Plain Kosher cooking. Drivers License preferred. Private room. Apply in writing to Mrs. Shabsove, 17 Northview Road, Ottawa K2E 6A6 or phone (613) 224-7445, (416) 441-3422.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Regional Sales Representative, New York International Moving Company for household goods seeks Toronto representative. You'll concentrate on families moving to Israel & other countries. Take charge of local operations & report to NATIONAL director. No expenses required. We will train. Good Jewish Community contacts helpful. Commission - Salary negotiable. Send resume to E.D.S. 506-528 Cozine Ave., Brooklyn N.Y. 11208 or call Mr. Weissman 212-649-4830.

EMPLOYMENT WANTED

University of Toronto graduate, Economics 1978, seeks trained position in any field except sales. Box 6674, CJN, 562 Eglinton Ave. E., Ste. 401, Toronto, Ont. M4P 1P1.

FLORIDA ACCOMMODATION WANTED

Wanted - 2 bedroom condo. furnished for March or April. 925-6114, 363-9601.

FLORIDA CONDOMINIUMS FOR RENT

Magnificent condominium. Weekly/monthly. Ideal for family/2 couples. Nightly entertainment, sports, children's recreation. 445-2832, 445-6200.

Longboat Key. 3 bedrooms 2 baths, Villa, many amenities, $1,600 U.S. Monthly plus utilities. From April 1. 294-1788.

Land of the Presidents, West Palm Beach, 1 bdrm. garden court townhouse, fully furnished, 1½ washrooms, 5 appls. Avail. now. Or for sale, price negotiable. Apartment Data Centre **665-8888.**

FLORIDA CONDOMIMIUMS FOR SALE

Hallandale. Family leaving country. Reduced for immediate sale. Towers of Oceanview. Beautifully furnished 1 bedroom, 1½ bath, convertible. Also, 1 bedroom, kingsize furnished or unfurnished. Large recreational facilities, 24 hour security, close to shopping, with all amenities. Must be sold. Owner (305) 454-5015.

Tamarac - Lime Bay. 2 bedrooms 2 baths, clubhouse. All activities & sports. Furnished / unfurnished, excellent buy. (305) 722-1528.

FLORIDA CONDOMINIUMS FOR SALE

Miami Beach, Surfside, luxury studio furnished, on ocean. Phone 537-2554, 783-5840.

West Palm Beach, Florida - Century Village, beautifully located, 2 bedroom 2 full bath, 2nd floor apartment, central air, frostfree refrigerator, selfcleaning oven, dishwasher, garbage disposal. Burge, 183 Somerset Drive, write or call evenings till 11 p.m. (305) 471-0968.

West Palm Beach
Large 1 bedroom 2 baths, completely attractively furnished, balcony, pool, sauna, game & card room, beach, tennis. $67,000 U.S. Call 781-6212.

Hollywood. Hillcrest. 1 bedroom, Florida Room, newly decorated, super security, pools, golf, tennis. Reasonable $35,000 U.S. Owner will help finance. 785-0383, (305) 963-5350.

Hollywood. Hillcrest. 2 bedrooms 2 baths, unfurnished, extras. Evenings (519) 966-7537.

HELP WANTED

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Judaic/Vocational Programmer. The Reena Foundation, a Jewish Organization is looking for an individual with expertise in Judaic & vocational skills. The right individual must have experience working with developmentally handicapped adults, & the ability to develop & implement Judaic & vocational (carpentry woodworking) programmes. Qualified applicants with a minimum of a university degree & the above expertise, please send a resume by Feb. 20/84, to Marla Schilling, Personnel Administrator, 99 Cartwright Ave., Toronto M6A 1V4.

Aggressive Life Insurance Agency offering positions in management & sales. Excellent products & benefits. Call Stan Schwartz 781-5221.

Teachers required. Akiva Elementary School, requires qualified Jewish & secular studies teachers for Sept. 1984. Community has all necessary amenities for Orthodox life. Send resume to Rabbi Baruch Hilsenrath, #19 - 2323 Oakmoor Dr., S.W., Calgary T2V 4T2, or phone days (403) 258-1312, evenings (403) 281-5289.

HOUSES FOR RENT

***HOUSING CO-OP BATHURST-STEELES**
Spacious new 3 and 4 bedroom townhouses, 2 appliances, energy efficient. $580-$685 plus utilities. Spring-summer occupancy. A freindly member-controlled community. Model homes ¶ Sundays 2-4 p.m. 598-0543.

HOUSES FOR SALE

New backsplit at 45 Ranee Ave. Near Bathurst, 4 bedrooms. 633-6328.

Summerhill Subway
Charming up-dated 2 bedroom, new oak kitchen, 8 appliances, stained glass, central air. Private garden with patio. $209,000. Private. 922-0178.

Best price in area. Hunters Point. Sacrifice. 5 bedrooms, 3,250 sq. feet. 497-6994 or 731-2871.

Bathurst-Sheppard. Prestige Brockington Crescent. 2 storey 4 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, den, 2 rec rooms, bar, fireplace, many extras. 109' frontage. 4,800 sq. feet including basement. $285,900. 633-2746.

Bathurst-Wilson. Estate Sale. 1½ storey, 3 bedrooms 2 baths, private drive, garage, large lot. $119,000. Private. 787-7632.

Bathurst-Lawrence. 2 storey detached 3 bedroom + income apt., garage. $155,000. 781-3815 evenings.

Sadie Moranis
Limited • Realtor
449-2020

PERSONALIZED SERVICE QUALITY HOMES

NORTH TORONTO GRACIOUS 12 RM. TUDOR
$429,000. Nestled on ¾ acre, ravine lot! 6 large bdrms., (master features fireplace), main fl. study + family rm. Diane Allen 449-2000.

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ST. ANDREWS — 70' X 170' PROPERTY
$259,000. Rare in this desirable area. Super family home. Outstanding master suite. Close to TTC, shopping. J. Avery 449-2020.

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YORK MILLS FRENCH IMMERSION
$179,900. Welcoming 4 bedroom, 3 bath home in superb setting. Central air, 2 fireplaces. Great value! Joan Avery 449-2020.

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BAYVIEW VILLAGE — PRICED TO SELL!
$144,900. Attractive ranch bungalow. Lovely open concept, wide halls, 3 bdrm., 2 baths, finished rec. rm., garage. Sandi Kert 449-2020.

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YOUNG MODERN'S HOME - LOWER VILLAGE
$429,000. Spacious liv./din. room. Large windows overlook pool size garden. 5 bdrms., master with ensuite, main den. Sandi Kert 449-2020.

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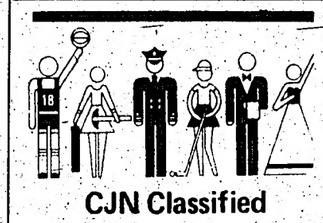
NEW LISTING ON BRIAR HILL AVE.!!
Superbly renovated Georgian style — 4 bdrm., master ensuite, fabulous new kitchen, south facing lot. $275,000. Sandra Goodwin 449-2020.



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Call 481—5620

HOUSES FOR SALE

ALAN UNGERMAN
REALTY LIMITED REALTOR

RIDGEGATE
New offering! On the ravine. Ultimate in fine living, featured in this lovely 4 bdrm. + retreat. Oversized lot + thousands in extras. Laureen Unroth, 731-7111.

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BATHURST-PATRICIA
Just listed. Spacious 4 bdrm. side split, move-in cond. Hurry! $149,900. Tex Waxman, 731-7111.

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BATHURST/STEELES
Superb 4 bdrm. home with 4 bths., mod. kitch., mn. flr. fam. rm., panelled libr. & laundry rm. Sep. maid's qutrs. $189,000. Brian Greenspan 731-7111.

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LISA CRESC.
Bathurst/Steeles. 3 bdrm., 4 bths., fin. bsmnt., mn. flr. fam. rm., hardwood flrs. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

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BATHURST/STEELES
Quiet cres., master retreat, mn. flr. fam. rm., fireplace, loads & loads of extras. Shows like a model. Vendor has bought. Make an offer! Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

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BATHURST/STEELES
Detached tastefully decorated home on premium lot. Fin. bsmnt., $118,900. Jeff Grosman/Laurence Alexander, 731-7111.

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BATHURST-STEELES
Reduced, must be sold! 4 bdrm., 2 storey on demand street. Hurry! Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

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BAYVIEW-STEELES
Decorator's touches throughout. 4 bdrm., 2 storey + fin. rec rm. Pool-sized lot. Laureen Unroth, 731-7111.

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BATHURST/WILSON
Move-in cond., centre hall home feat. 4 bdrms., brand new kitch., wood trim throughout. Laureen Unroth 731-7111.

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BAYVIEW-STEELES
2 storey, centre hall, loaded with extras, pool-sized lot, panelled den, + fam. rm. Decorated throughout. $239,900. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

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BATHURST VILLAGE
Reduced to sell! Vendor has bought! Lovely decor, spacious rms. & excellent lot. Laureen Unroth, 731-7111.

A.E. LePAGE
REAL ESTATE SERVICES LTD • REALTOR

***FINCH-WILMINGTON BUILDER'S CUSTOM**
$395,000. Ravine lot. Superbly crafted. 5,500 sq. ft. Ideal party flow. Impressive wood panelling. Large self-contained parent's apt. Mrs. F. Robinson 487-4311 or 787-1697.

LAKEFRONT OR HARBOURFRONT
Superb 8 rm. home (not a condo), with enclosed porch & balcony, fronting on lake, double gar., 10¾% mtge. Call Orly Noble, 223-7618 or Golden Key Realty, 690-7771.

Classified Ads

HOUSES FOR FOR SALE

MISTER REAL ESTATE INC.

Bathurst-Steeles $124,900 Superb!
3 bdrm, 2 storey, main fl. family rm, fireplace, rec. rm., sauna, 2 car garage. Olga Verrall 224-2800.

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Skymark III - Zenith "Galaxy"
N/E exposure, 2 large bdrms + 5 pc. ensuite, fam. rm bar built-ins, oak kit., 2 parking ++++ Ehtel Goldman 223-5100.

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Bayview-Willowbrook - Just Listed $159,900
2 Storey, 4 bdrm, large kit. + dinette, family rm + beamed ceiling, wet bar, fireplace, master ensuite, central air, many extras. Joe Salomon 224-2800.

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Leslie-Steeles Best Buy Ravine lot
2 storey semi on quiet cul-de-sac, 4 large bdrms, eat-in kit., many upgrades. Ethel Miller 223-5100.

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Upper Village $369,900 "Just Listed"
Totally upgraded 4 large bdrms, great entrance foyer, mod. kitchen, finished bsmt & more. E. Miller 223-5100.

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Bathurst-Lawrence "Must Sell Now"
Detached 5 room bungalow, new kitchen, 2 baths. Olga Verrall 224-2800.

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Bathurst-Sheppard $229,000 Giant 5 Bdrm.
Sidesplit, huge master + ensuite, mod. Hollywood kit., cathedral ceilings, 2 fireplaces, large lot. Joe Salomon 224-2800.

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Bayview-Steeles - 1st Ad! "Sparkling Semi"
4 bdrm on extra large lot, gracious foyer, large eat-in kit, central air, $119,900. Bev Burstein 223-5100.

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Bathurst-Steeles $89,000 Detached
3 bdrm 2 storey, walk-out to 166' deep lot, garage. Mr. Verrall 224-2800.

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Leslie-York Mills $274,500 Best Value!
Custom 4 bdrm, on pool size lot, ceramic foyer, family rms, king size master, prof. fin. bsmt + maid's quarters, expensive finishings & extras. B. Burstein 223-5100.

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Priced To Sell! Bathurst Village 5 Bdrm.
Outstanding family sized rooms, great for entertaining! Must sell. Ann Roseman 224-2800.

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Bathurst-Steeles $115,900 Detached
Brick 2 storey, 3 bdrms, large kitchen, thousands $$$ in extras, Annette Lipton 224-2800.

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Bathurst South of Steeles - Your Choice!
3 bdrm bungalow + bsmt apt., or 3+1 bdrm backsplit finished bsmt. Close to TTC & Schools. Raya Lenskis 224-2800.

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Bayview-Steeles $106,900 Semi 3+ Bdrms.
Immaculate large kit., finished bsmt, 2 baths, central air, garage, priced to sell! C. Feldman 223-5100.

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"Hunter's Point" $239,900 Yonge & Hwy 7
Large 4 bdrm, 2 storey, family rm, finished bsmt, central air, giant landscaped lot, March closing. Must Sell! Geina Davidson 224-2800.

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Just Listed - Bathurst & Steeles
Lovely 3 bdrm sidesplit, Hollywood kit. + w/o, panelled family room, mature trees, very private. Ann Roseman or Geina Davidson 224-2800.

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Bathurst-Finch $109,900 - 10¼% Mtge.
2 storey 3 bdrms, large kitchen, 2 garages, loads of extras. Annette Lipton 224-2800.

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Green Lane - Willowbrook 4 Bdrm Backsplit
Spotless, central air & vac., family room & fireplace, huge lot. A. Alpert or J. Teperman 223-5100.

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Exclusive Erica Avenue Ranch Bungalow
Fabulous 4 bdrm on exclusive cul-de-sac. Security system, central air, bsmt apt. Ann Roseman 224-2800.

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Goldenwood-Laureleaf $135,000 New Beauty
2 storey, all brick det. links. Fam. rm & fireplace, skylight, oak stairway & much more! Judy Teperman 223-5100.

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Bayview - South of Steeles - New Custom Built
Gorgeous 2 storey, circular stairway, den & family rm, huge kit. Purchaser's choice of finishings, $279,000. Judy Teperman 223-5100.

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Lawrence-Bathurst Luxury Condo
3 bdrm eat-in kitchen, appliances, million $$$ rec. centre. Joe Salomon 224-2800.

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Leslie-Sheppard - Elegant 4 Bdrm
2 storey, large kit., impressive entrance, fireplace, quiet crescent, close to all. Sarah Rovet 224-2800.

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Bathurst-Steeles Distress Sale! 3 Bdrms.
2 storey, large kit., appliances, master ensuite, attached garage. Joe Salomon 224-2800.

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Bathurst-Finch $124,900 - 11% Mortgage
3 bdrm with ensuite bath, main fl. family room, fireplace, rec. room, Olga Verrall 224-2800.

EVERYTHING WE TOUCH TURNS TO SOLD

HOUSES FOR SALE

MISTER REAL ESTATE INC.

Now $117,900 Bathurst Steeles
Bright 4 bdrm, 2 storey, main fl. den, enclosed garden & pool, summer poss. Sarah Rovet 224-2800.

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Sheppard-Bathurst Reduced Price - Bungalow
3 bdrm 52' lot, finished bsmt. apt. + rec. rm. Pearly Dennis 224-2800.

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Don Mills-Finch - $142,900
Elegant sidesplit, huge kit, family rm, master ensuite, June possession. Paul Pister 224-2800.

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Leslie-Cummer 3-4 Bdrm Bungalow
Semi, furnished bsmt, 2 full baths, 150' lot, near Associated School. Stuart Farb 224-2800.

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Bayview & Laureleaf - Vendor's Desperate! $179,900
3,000 sq. ft., det., huge 60 x 180' lot, finished bsmt, wet-bar, expensive extras. David Leranbaum 224-2800.

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Bathurst Village - 3 Bdrm Bungalow
Beauty! Mod. kit with walk-out, 3 baths, rec rm, fireplace, dble garage. Close to all. Mary Fenyes 224-2800.

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Bayview-Willowbrook - 2 Homes Left!
3 or 4 bdrm, huge living & dining, family rm, dble garage, central air, beautiful cond. Paul Pister 224-2800.

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$184,900 On Greenbelt - Inground Pool
Large 4 bdrm multi level home, Bayview-John location. Beautiful cond. Stuart Farb 224-2800.

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Bathurst Steeles - Custom 3000'
2 storey det., open staircase, 7pc ensuite, skylight, quick possession. Won't last. David Leranbaum 224-2800.

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Sheppard-Bathurst - Just Beautiful!
Det. 3 bdrm bungalow, extras galore. Prof. fin. bsmt. apt., attached garage. Paul Pister 224-2800.

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Bathurst-Steeles - Must Sell "Desperate"
Vendor has bought. 2 storey, detached, dble garage, nicer than model home! $149,500. David Leranbaum 224-2800.

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Bayview-S. of Steeles on Ravine
3,200 sq. ft. luxury & modern very exclusive area. Moved to U.S. Stuart Farb 224-2800.

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$39,900 Bakery Business
Fully equipped busy Eglinton & Bathurst. Good lease. Stuart Farb 224-2800.

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Rental - Bathurst & steeles $795/Month
4 bdrm, central air, brand new kitchen, 5 appliances. Immedaite. David Leranbaum 224-2800.

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Bathurst-Antibes 4 Bdrm
Unique townhome, 2 baths, best lot in subdivision. Vendor's desperate. Leon Kogan 224-2800.

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Yonge-Steeles Best Buy!
Large 3 bdrm condo apt. 2 baths, best view, small downpayment. Vendors must sell. Call Leon Kogan 224-2800.

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Yonge-Steeles - Carrington Towers
Vacant 2 bdrm condo apt. 2 baths, large balcony, central air conditioning, will consider any offer. Leon Kogan 224-2800.

EVERYTHING WE TOUCH TURNS TO SOLD

S-K-Y-M-A-R-K E-L-E-G-A-N-C-E
- **S.W. corner penthouse.**
- **Huge roof garden.**

This brand-new 2,600-sq.-ft. suite features skylight, fireplace & wet bar + open balcony. Breathtaking panoramic view, 2 parking + large locker. Excellent, well-priced, a must-view. Exclusively marketed by Mr. Santee Leung, (416) 441-2003.

The SKYMARK Specialist — Santee Realty Inc.

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REAL ESTATE BROKER

LESLIE AND CUMMER
Beautiful 4 bdrm. 2 storey, ravine lot, open circular staircase, large kitchen, main floor den, family and laundry rms., 4 baths, walk-out from all levels. Professionally finished rec rm., wet bar, maid's rm., many extras. Ida Ackerman 636-5200.

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BATHURST-WILSON-AVENUE ROAD
Only $169,900. Impressive centre hall plan, charming 4 bdrm. home, main floor powder rm., large master with ensuite, many extras. Close to all amenities. Dorothy Durbin 636-5200.

HOUSES FOR SALE

Paul Slavens Real Estate Ltd. Realtor

HERE IS YOUR NEXT HOME

UPPER VILLAGE — CHOICE LOCATION
Offered at $219,000. Spacious 2 storey, 3 bdrm. home on quiet street. Central air, eat-in kitchen. Call Elaine Goldenberg, 483-4337.

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CEDARVALE — $175,000
Charming 3 bdrm. home with separate dining rm; new in-law apt., private drive, steps to shops & subway. Call Edie Winberg, 483-4337.

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OUTSTANDING VALUE — BROWN SCHOOL
$279,000. 3 bdrm; 4 bath townhome. New white kitchen; family rm. with fireplace. Don't miss seeing. Call Wilma Freedman, 483-4337.

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GOOD STARTER HOME — 1ST AD
$95,900. 3 bdrm. townhome. Bathurst & Antibes. Sparkling updated kitchen. Family rm. with fireplace. Don't miss. Call Nancy Prussky, 483-4337.

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THE LONSDALE HOUSE — JUST REDUCED
Now $156,900. Prestigious low-rise building with roof-top pool & deck. 2 bdrm. suite 2 baths, ens. laundry. 24 hr. security. Call Elaine Goldenberg.

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SKYMARK PENTHOUSE — JUST REDUCED
One of a kind. Corner suite with breathtaking family rm. with working fireplace. Breathtaking master suite with fabulous ensuite. Call Nancy Prussky.

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BATHURST - LAWRENCE — OUTSTANDING
Family home with dream kitchen. Cathedral ceiling entrance, 4 bdrms; + guest quarters, inground pool & more. Call Gert Kerbel, 483-4337.

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LOWER VILLAGE — $479,000
Gracious stone Tudor home with large principal rms; library with fireplace, central air. Call Elaine Goldenberg, 483-4337.

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LOWER VILLAGE — E. OF SPADINA
1st ad. $395,000. Main flr. den, 4-5 bdrms; fireplace in rec. rm. Double garage. Call Betty Cohen, 483-4337.

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LOWER VILLAGE — $235,000
Unbeatable value. 2 storey, 4 bdrms. Finished lower level. Call Eleanor Stanton, 483-4337.

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LOWER VILLAGE — VERY SPECIAL
$418,000. Charming 5 bdrm. Georgian with spiral staircase on 3rd flr. 4 baths, ultra kitchen. Call Eleanor Stanton, 483-4337.

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DUFFERIN & STEELES — OUTSTANDING
$268,000. "House & Gardens" home in Ridgegate. 5 bdrms; main flr. family rm. Finished lower level. Call Lani Alexandroff, 483-4337.

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EXECUTIVE SUITE — 1 ENTIRE FLOOR
$375,000. The ultimate condo. residence. 2 bdrm. + library. Superb finishings, marble flrs, 3 car parking. Call Nancy Prussky, 483-4337.

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LOWER VILLAGE CONDO. — $189,000
Main flr. garden view. south exposure. 2 bdrms. + den. Ensuite laundry, indoor pool. 24 hr. security. Call Cathy Kwinter.

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LAWRENCE & BATHURST
$116.900. Charming 3 bdrm. bungalow. Ensuite bath, in-law apt. Close to shopping, T.T.C. & synagogues. Call Elaine Yaffe or Barb Kaplan. 483-4337.

Royal Trust Real Estate

9-7/8% MORTGAGE TO 1984
Finch-Bathurst. 3 bdrm. semi, multi-level, family room with fireplace & W/O to garden. P. Lynas 635-1170.

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BATHURST-STEELES-CLARD
3 bdrm. 2 stry. det., family room fireplace, dble. garage, upgraded thru-out, hollywood white kitchen. Huge lot. L. Spektor 635-1170.

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BATHURST-ROCKFORD RENT/SALE
3 bdrm. sidesplit, family room, W/O, newly done rec room with 3pc. Near T.T.C., shopping, schools. Lily Stoll 635-1170.

ALLENBY SCHOOL AREA
Charming 4-bdrm., 1½-storey det., spacious liv. & din. rm., 3 baths, gar., in-law apt. Close to Avenue Rd. & Eglinton. $148,900. For appointment call Helen Gould, 886-1200 (24-hr. pager) or 633-5332.
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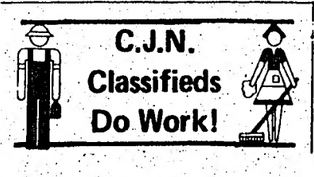

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Business Outlook

Winners will play by new set of rules

Consultant sees 1984 as year for opportunists

By
HILARY HORLOCK

TORONTO — More than ever before, 1984 is the year of the opportunist, says engineering and management consultant Sheldon Zelitt.

The economic upheaval which began three years ago has finally begun to show signs of abatement, but the shrewd investor will realize that "massive and permanent structural changes" have occurred within the Canadian economy, and that the winners in the investment game will now play by a new set of rules.

Sheldon Zelitt

"The year will be characterized by a number of factors," says Zelitt, president of the consulting firm of Sheldon S. Zelitt and Associates, Inc. "There will be a continuing emergence from the recession, particularly in consumer goods; a steady growth in the economy, but, I might point out, a growth lower than many experts predict; and, above all, it will be a year of the opportunist."

Defence stocks appealing

Those investors who realize that the economic structure, both in Canada and in world markets, has changed will be the winners this year, predicts Zelitt, adding that they will have to be "fast on their feet." While the stock market will not have a record year in 1984, he says it will be "a riser."

Intuition, combined with a solid knowledge of the investment market, will be a big factor in the success or failure of market speculation this year. "Those who know when an individual's or company's time has come will make money this year."

Zelitt particularly likes defence stocks for 1984, as well as undervalued steel stocks ("sit on them for most of the year — they are expected to go up towards the end of 1984), and consumer products stocks, especially in household goods.

"Investors with suicidal tendencies will leap into video game manufacturers," says Zelitt. He also precicts there will be a lot of false starts in the home computer market.

"High profile major systems engineering firms [defence hardware] represent an opportunity in the coming year, and not principally because of the recent perceived heightening of world tensions.

Contrary to most experts' reasoning, the major thrust behind this strengthening in the positions of the major defence firms is the decade-long growth in the deployment of enriched battlefield hardware among a broader base of military organizations than in the past," says Zelitt. (In short, more armies are buying better equipment).

Zelitt sees lots of room for improvement in gold and other precious metals, but cautions investors to stay away from certificates. "Stick with metal producers," he advises.

Investment for businesses in 1984 will be marked by the same characteristics which prevail for the private investor. "This is the year of the smart money. There is more profit to be made this year than in 1983, but it will be every bit as tough."

The smart business investors will buy more production technology and enrich what they have now, says Zelitt, who predicts that the winners in stocks for 1984 will be the next generation manufacturers of technology.

Those companies which have better technology will have better information and, therefore, better control. Better control translates into bigger profits and more dividends for investors.

"Economic times are permanently changed. This recession was a watershed for Canadian business, and things are not as they were before. The competition is now international. Canada is in bad shape internationally, so any company that can put together a sharp, competitive deal should clean up."

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